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KING'S BIRTHDAY OBSERVANCE.

AT THE CENOTAPH.

Impressive March Past By All Services.

FULL ACCOUNT OF CEREMONIES.

Hong Kong was beflagged to-day in honour of the sixty-third birthday of His Majesty King George V. The Union Jack flew from big buildings in town, from houses on the middle and upper levels and from the Peak. Vessels in harbour were dressed, from the men-of-war and merchantmen down to steam-launches and small craft, and even a number of sampans had the flag up.

Interest was centred on the assembly at the Cenotaph by the three branches of the Fighting Services in what was known technically as the "Alternative Parade." The elite of Hong Kong arrived early at the Colony's finest site to take part in a short ceremony and to watch the impressive march past, in which about 2,500 men took part.

There was a little regret that the review arranged to take place at Happy Valley could not be held owing to last fortnight's continuous rain having rendered the ground unsuitable. Memories of last year's imposing spectacle were conjured up but the novelty of a grand parade in the city—with the numbers originally intended—and a march through the Chinese business quarter was thoroughly enjoyed.

2,500 MEN PARTICIPATE.

Although the hour was comparatively early, thousands had arrived in Statute-square before the appointed time. Britons and other Europeans were present in



KING GEORGE.—His Majesty King George V. was born on June 3, 1865, and in June 3, 1893, he married Princess Mary, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Teck. On the death of his elder brother, the Duke of Clarence, on January 14, 1901, he became heir to the Throne. He became Duke of Cornwall, on the accession of his father, King Edward in 1901, and was created Prince of Wales on November 9, 1901, after returning from a tour to Australia. On King Edward's death, on May 6, 1910, George became King, and was crowned in Westminster Abbey, on June 22, 1911.

force and the large percentage of ladies was surprising.

Unfavourable weather at the beginning of the week-end's holiday may have prevented a number from getting away. Hence, with the sun coming out yesterday afternoon, most people made up their minds to see the parade.

Admirable arrangements had been made by the Police, who were ably assisted by the Police Reserve. Members of the Flying Squad and the Sharpshooters' Company were also on duty. Detachments from the St. John Ambulance Brigade were on duty all over the city, ready to attend to any casualty. Men in the Garrison Police were detailed for guide and other duty at points along the route of the march.

All vantage points in the vicinity were full of spectators, verandahs, windows and, in some cases, even roofs, carrying their respective loads.

Early in the morning, the various units which were to take part had proceeded to their appointed assembly areas; a number having to come over from the mainland for that purpose.

A platoon from the King's Own Scottish Borderers "kept the ground" at the Cenotaph.

The saluting base was immediately in front of the Cenotaph, facing the harbour.

To the right, facing the harbour, were members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, the Consular Body, and their families; to the left, Naval, Army and Air Force officers with their families. Heads of Government departments and Services also attended.

A company of the Scots Guards, with the regimental colours, was in position opposite the Cenotaph acting as the guard of honour. Recipients of medals were drawn up in two ranks, on the Praya, and were marched to a small table at the Saluting base where each was congratulated in turn.

The Band of the King's Own Scottish Borderers was stationed outside the Hong Kong Club entrance, also facing the sea.

Yesterday evening, the 1st Mountain Battery of the Hong Kong Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery, had been quartered on Murray parade ground with their guns with which the salute was to be fired.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) proceeded to the saluting base, accompanied by Captain A. J. L. Whyte, (A.D.C.) and Major H. E. L. Dowbiggin (honorary A.D.C.), preceded and followed by a detachment from the H.K.V.D.C. motor-cyclists.

The Scots Guards gave the royal salute, accompanied by the Band of the King's Own Scottish Borderers. The Guards then stood at ease while His Excellency presented long service and



QUEEN MARY, with Princess Mary on her lap, the Prince of Wales and Duke of York standing.

CAUGHT.

Ex-Cafe Boy's Sly Brothel.

\$100 FINE.

Echo of the Kelsey Manslaughter Case.

Wong Hui-tong, formerly No. 1 "Boy" at the Cafe Parisien, who, it may be remembered, figured as a witness for the defence in the Kelsey manslaughter case, when he (Wong), came under police suspicion as the keeper of a sly brothel on the second floor of No. 2, Keecheung-street, Kennedy-town, has at last been brought to book.

At the Central Magistracy this morning, Inspector Shannon charged Wong before Major C. Willson following a raid the Inspector made in the small hours of yesterday morning. In the house at the time were seven Portuguese and two Europeans who admitted that they were in the house for an immoral purpose. Three girls who were also on the premises admitted that they were "fortunates."

In reply to the Magistrate, the accused said that he had no statement to make. A fine of \$100 or six months' jail was imposed, and the brothel was ordered to be closed.

good conduct medals to the following recipients:—

First Class Warrant Officers.

Instructor W. E. Waterson, Army Educational Corps.
Sergeant-Major J. R. Marshall, Royal Engineers.

Second Class Warrant Officers.
Battery Sergeant-Major J. Broadbridge, Royal Artillery.
Master-Gunner E. F. Fogden, D.C.M., Royal Artillery.

Non-Commissioned Officers.
Sergeant E. Davies, 20th Heavy Battery, Royal Artillery.

Sergeant E. Leach, 31st Heavy Battery, Royal Artillery.

Sergeant A. Barnes, 31st Heavy Battery, Royal Artillery.

Sergeant C. Clark, Hong Kong & Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery.

Sergeant W. Burton, Hong Kong & Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery.

Availard Jam Muhi, Hong Kong & Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery.

Sergeant W. Bent, Royal Corps of Signals.

Lance-Sergeant E. C. Goodheart, Royal Artillery.

After the presentation, the company of Guards unfixed bayonets. With clockwork precision, the moment was signalled to Murray parade ground where the Indian gunners began to fire the royal salute of twenty-one guns, facing north.

In between the salute, that is, after every seven rounds, the Guards fired a feu-de-joie, which sounded like freerackers to and puzzled the Chinese masses. The Kosbies' band played parts of the national anthem after each volley. The Scots Guards fixed bayonets again.

(Continued on Page 7.)

LOCAL HONOUR.

C.B.E. For Mr. H. K. Holmes.

TWO I.S.O.'S.

C.S.P.'s Wife Receives British Empire Decoration.

H.M. the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the following honours:—

C.B.E.

Mr. Harold Kennard Holmes.

O.B.E. (Civil Division).

Mr. Robert Sutherland, M.B.E.

Dr. Tso Seen-wan, L.L.D.

M.B.E. (Civil Division).

Captain F. S. Adey.

Mrs. C. G. Alabaster.

Mrs. H. R. Remington.

Mrs. C. Russell Brown.

Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe.

M.B.E. (Military Division).

Subadar Major (retired)

Piran Ditta, D.C.M., Hong Kong

Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery.

I.S.O.

Mr. P. T. Lambie.

Mr. A. J. Reed.

Mr. H. K. Holmes joined the

local Government service on Sept.

1, 1919, being Assistant Land Officer

and then Land Officer. He was

appointed Crown Solicitor on July

10, 1922. He was born on Nov. 9,

1875. Prior to the war, he was in

private practice in Hong Kong, as

a solicitor, giving up his practice

to go on active service.

Mr. R. Sutherland, the shipping

"talpan" of Messrs. Jardine,

Matheson & Co., Ltd., has always

been in the public eye. His elevation

from "membership" to an "officer"

in the Order of the British Empire

will delight his very large circle of friends.

Dr. Tso Seen-wan is one of the

Colony's leading Chinese residents.

He is a solicitor by profession.

He was made an honorary L.L.D.

by the local University. This latest

honour is probably for long service

in connection with the formation

of the Chinese company in the

Police Reserve. Dr. Tso is also a

member of the Sanitary Board.

Captain F. S. Adey is with Holt's

Wharf, Kowloon.

Mrs. C. G. Alabaster is the wife

of the local K.C. She has taken a

prominent part in ladies' charitable

work and in the organisation of

entertainment for the Services.

Mrs. H. R. Remington was invested

with the Girl Guides' Medal of

Merit at Government House on

Empire Day, in recognition of hard

work and long service for the Guide

movement in Hong Kong.

Mrs. C. Russell Brown is the

wife of Colonel C. Russell Brown,

a former Chief Engineer in Hong

Kong. She also took a prominent

part in local philanthropic work,

but has now left the Colony.

Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe is the wife

of the Captain Superintendent of

Police. She is actively associated

with the Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A. for

Service men and has, during a long

residence in the Colony, done much

good work.

Mr. P. T. Lambie, Mr. R. San I.

retired recently from the Sanitary

Department after 20 years' meritorious

service. He was Superintendent of

Staff and Works when he left, a

position which was specially created.

Mr. Lambie was born on May 6, 1871 and is now

living in Japan.

Mr. A. J. Reed has been account-

ant at the General Post Office for

29 years. He joined the Govern-

ment service on June 1, 1888 and

was born on Jan. 15, 1865.

PEKING GIVEN UP.

Chang Tso-lin Leaves by Night.

NATIONALISTS OUTSIDE.

Problem of 70,000 Defeated Troops of the North.

Events in the departure of Marshal Chang Tso-lin and his Manchurian troops from Peking are described as follows:—

Railway, Not Car.

Peking, Saturday.

Chang Tso-lin's bodyguard has been leaving Peking for the past few days and only a thousand now remain here.

It was arranged for Chang Tso-lin to leave by motor car via Kow-pai-kow, but it is now understood that he has been persuaded to travel by railway, as the line is adequately protected by Manchurian troops.—Reuter.

Going in the Dark.

Peking, Saturday.

It is reliably reported that Chang Tso-lin's departure is fixed for midnight to-night.

A large body of police has been ordered to assemble at the railway station at eleven o'clock.—Reuter.

Crowded Station.

Peking, Saturday night.

Chienmen station presented an extraordinary appearance this evening.

The sidings are filled with trains, mostly packed with Fengtien troops and officials. The platforms are piled high with luggage of all descriptions—furniture, motor cars and perambulators, occupying the space between the crowds of soldiers. Here and there are some women and children hoping to obtain seats in the trains.

Soldiers Good-Humoured.

Fresh motor cars loaded with belongings are dashing up continually and adding to the congestion.

The train in which Chang Tso-lin will travel to-night is already waiting. A pilot train and a train of bodyguards will precede the Marshal, who will be followed by more trains of troops.

There is no sign of panic. The soldiers are very orderly and good-humoured.

Many other troops are crowding through the city gates en route for Manchuria by roads.—Reuter.

In the Small Hours.

Peking, Yesterday.

Chang Tso-lin left Peking at 12.20 a.m. (on June 3). The delay was due to the arrival of General Sun Chuan-fang late in the evening, and a discussion as to the destination to which the latter's troops should be evacuated. It is believed that the question was settled before Chang Tso-lin's departure.—Reuter.

Street Heavily Guarded.

Tokyo, Saturday.

According to a message from Peking the streets were heavily guarded when Chang Tso-lin left for the railway station. Troops packed the platform of the station where a special train waited.

Marshal Chang, accompanied by his general staff, rode in an armoured motor car to the station where he immediately entered a private car.

A large number of officials were present and the bands played. The guards and troops saluted, Chang Tso-lin smiling broadly, unlike a defeated generalissimo who had occupied Peking for eleven months and fifteen days.—Reuter.

Passes Through Tientsin.

Tientsin, Yesterday.

Chang Tso-lin passed through Tientsin, en route for Mukden at 6.55 a.m.—Reuter.

The City Quiet.

Peking, Yesterday.

Peking remains perfectly calm with no sign of disorder. Practically all the soldiers have left the city which is controlled by police gendarmes.—Reuter.

Tientsin Yesterday.

No disturbances have been reported so far.—Reuter.

[Note: Earlier cables will be found on page 3.]

TROOP DISPOSITION.

How the Rivals Are Now Moving.

Peking, Saturday.

It is reported that Wang Shih-chen telegraphed to General Yen Hsi-shan, who has reached Paoingfu, and Yen Hsi-shan re-

plied that no Shansi, Kuomintang or Nationalist forces would enter Peking.

There appears to be a distinct prospect that Peking will change hands without serious disturbances.—Reuter.

Agreement Reached?

Peking, Saturday.

It is understood that an arrangement has been reached with General Yen Hsi-shan whereby General Chang Hsueh-liang (Chang Tso-lin's son) and General Yang Yu-ting (General Chief of Staff) will remain with the bodyguards to attend to the details of the handing over of the city.

During the period between their departure and the arrival of the Shansi forces, the city will be in charge of a committee of City Elders, under Wang Shih-chen, the Cabinet automatically ceasing to exist.—Reuter.

Moving Out?

Tientsin, Yesterday.

It is reported that the Northern army under the command of General Chang Hsueh-liang (Chang Tso-lin's son) is expected to move gradually into Manchuria.—Reuter.

A New Alliance.

A report is current to-day that the Fengtien "Young Party" headed by General Yang Yu-ting and General Chang Hsueh-liang, who have long been sympathetic to Nationalist ideals, intend to join the Nationalists and remain in Chihli with their forces known as the 3rd and 4th army corps.

According to one report they may join Chiang Kai-shek, Yen Hsi-shan and Pei Chung-hsi in a coalition against Feng Yu-hsiang. These reports have not yet been confirmed.—Reuter.

Not Following Up.

Peking, Yesterday.

The Northern withdrawal is proceeding very slowly. The line from Luliho to Machang is still held but the Nationalists do not show signs of pressing the Fengtienites. There is still a considerable gap between the forces through the Nationalists not following up.—Reuter.

The Fly in the Ointment.

Peking, Yesterday.

Although it was given out late last night that the disposal of the non-Manchurian elements among the Northern forces had been settled, it appears that there is a knotty problem not yet satisfactorily solved. The forces of Sun Chuan-fang, Chang Tsung-chang and Chu Yu-pu being mostly Chihli-ites and Shantungites do not desire to proceed to Manchuria and are not wanted there, while it is understood that the Southern leaders do not wish to re-organise them into the Nationalist armies. An attempt to disarm and disband 70,000 troops without pay might cause serious trouble and it is even rumoured to-day that Sun Chuan-fang, who is still in Peking, may attempt a Paoingfu, and Yen Hsi-shan re-

THE HONOURS.

HIS MAJESTY'S BIRTHDAY LIST.

FAR EAST RECIPIENTS.

Several Well-Known Shanghai Names.

3 NEW PEERS, 1 PRIVY COUNCILLOR, 5 BARONETS & 36 KNIGHTS.

H.M. the King's birthday list contains nothing surprising either with regard to Home or Far East recipients. Sir Alfred Mond has received a peerage (as was rumoured recently), Sir Haviland de Sausmarez, formerly His Majesty's Chief Judge in China and now holding a high legal position in the Channel Islands, becomes a baronet, while knighthoods have been awarded to, among other more or less well-known folk, Mr. Archibald Hurd, the well-known writer on naval subjects, Mr. Max Pemberton, novelist and journalist, and Mr. Nigel Playfair, the actor-manager.

CONSULAR OFFICIALS.

The King's Birthday Honours include 3 new Peers, 1 Privy Councillor, 5 Baronets, and 36 Knights.

The new Peers are Sir Alfred Mond, Sir George Rowland Blades, and Sir James Remnant. These involve by-elections at Epsom, Carmarthen and Holborn.—Reuter.

Baronets.
Edward Mervyn Archdale, William Walter Carille,

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E. V. JESSEN, Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 31st May, 1928.

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The following Unclaimed Telegrams are lying in the E. E. Telegraph Co. office, Hong Kong:—
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Malcolm Smith, 2 May Rd., from Great Fyburgh.
Sachs Kreolin, from San Francisco.
Worship, from Saigon.

E. A. LEGGATT, Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 31st May, 1928.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

I HAVE appointed Mr. G. A. H. POTTS as my attorney to act for and on my behalf under the style of ELLIS HAYIM, Share & General Broker as from 1st June, 1928.

ELLIS HAYIM.

Hong Kong, 28th May, 1928.

TELEPHONE SERVICE

BETWEEN
HONG KONG AND KOWLOON.

FROM 17th March, 1928, until further notice, Telephone Service between HONG KONG and KOWLOON will be restricted owing to harbour dredging operations necessitating the removal of our submarine cables and resulting in a reduction in the number of junctions available to carry the Telephone Traffic between the above mentioned places.

A full service will be restored immediately dredging operations cease.

J. P. SHERRY,

Manager.

Hong Kong Telephone Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1928.

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.
(St. Joseph's College.)

PAST Pupils and Friends of St. Joseph's College, Hong Kong, as well as past pupils of Colleges of the Christian Brothers elsewhere, are invited to attend a general meeting of the above Association at the College on TUESDAY, the 5th June, at 6 p.m.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong on THURSDAY, 7th June, 1928, at 12 noon for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1928.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 2nd June to FRIDAY, 8th June, 1928, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 28th May, 1928.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th June to 4th July, 1928, both days inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 29th May, 1928.

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NOTICES.

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IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 4th June.
Hong Kong, 31st May, 1928.

"LAST BUT NOT THE LEAST."

ON MONDAY, the 4th inst. at 5.15 p.m. sharp in the City Hall another Lecture will be delivered by the renowned "Muslim Missionary, Maulana L. Haidari, on 'Islam is the Religion of Peace.' All are cordially invited.

LAMMERT BROS.

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WEDNESDAY, the 6th June, 1928, commencing at 11 a.m., at No. 1 Prat Building (First Floor), Kowloon.

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LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hong Kong, 31st May, 1928.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON
THURSDAY, the 7th June, 1928, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

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Comprising:—
Teak Hatstands, Glass Cabinets, Tapestry Covered Couch and Armchairs, Desks, Folding Screen, Bookcases, Oil Paintings, Pictures, Electric Table Fans, Carpets, Teak Typewriter Desks, Rugs, Ornaments, Curios, etc., etc.

Teak Dining Tables, Dining Chairs, Sideboards with Mirrors, Dinner Waggon, Ice Chests, Dinner Crockery, Glass Ware, Cutlery, Kitchen Gear, etc., etc.,
Iron, Brass and Teak Bedsteads with Mattresses, Single and Double Wardrobes with and without mirrors, Washstands, Teak and Camphorwood Chests of Drawers, Chamber Stands, Household Linen, Toilet Crockery, etc., etc.,
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A Quantity of
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1 Cottage Piano by "Morrison"
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On View from Wednesday, the 6th June, 1928.

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Auctioneers.
Hong Kong, 2nd June, 1928.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON
FRIDAY, the 8th June, 1928, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at Nos. 1 and 4, Knutsford Terrace, Kimberley Road, Kowloon.

A Large Quantity of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:—
Hatstands, Couches and Armchairs, Carpets, Rugs, Folding Screen, Pictures, Electric Fans, etc., etc.,
Dining Tables, Dining Chairs, Sideboards, Dinner Waggon, Ice Chests, Cooking Stoves, Crockery, Cutlery, Glass Ware, Kitchen Utensils, etc., etc.,
Bedsteads with Mattresses, Wardrobes with and without mirrors, Washstands, Chests of Drawers, Dressing Tables, Chamber Stands, Toilet Crockery, etc., etc.,
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A Quantity of
BLACKWOOD FURNITURE
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And
A Few Enamel and Shanghai Baths.

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TO FIGHT ON.

CHANG'S NEW DECISION.

LOSES 4,000 MEN.

Saturday.
Week-end advice from the North showed that the harder Marshal Chang Tso-lin was pushed the longer would he remain in Peking. Severe fighting was reported to have taken place at a place about thirty miles southwest of the capital, and Fengtien losses of 4,000 men was mentioned. In consequence, Chang Tso-lin decided not to evacuate for the time being but, with a view to saving his main force, ordered General Chang Tsung-chang to use every effort to stay the Southern advance.

From a Chinese source it was then learned that Marshal Chang's family has already left Peking for Mukden.

Peking, Saturday.
Severe fighting is reported between the Northerners and the Shansi allies of the Nationalists in the vicinity of Liulih, resulting in the defeat of the Northerners who are believed to have suffered 4,000 casualties.—Reuter.

[Note: Liulih is on the Peking-Hankow Railway, about 80 miles south-west of Peking. The Northerners on this the western sector have been retreating precipitately with the intention of holding a new line, the north-western extremity of which would be behind (i.e., north of) Liulih, nearer to Peking, to protect the railway from Peking to Tientsin and thence to Manchuria.]

Departure Postponed.
Peking, Saturday.

Owing to the difficulty of withdrawing his main force, consisting of Manchurian units, except at the expense of sacrificing his allied units in the Chihli-Shantung (Northerners) army under General Chang Tsung-chang, Marshal Chang Tso-lin is reported to have postponed his departure from Peking; and has ordered General Chang Tsung-chang to do his utmost to check the Southern advance.—Reuter.

[Note: The Manchurian army is in a better position to retreat into Manchuria, but the Chihli-Shantung men are in more exposed positions and a hasty withdrawal might expose them to the danger of being cut off from the main force.]

Another Change Reported.
Peking, Saturday.

It is reliably reported that Chang Tso-lin's departure is fixed for midnight to-night. A large body of police has been ordered to assemble at the station at eleven o'clock.—Reuter.

Family Leaves.
Shanghai, Saturday.

The family of Marshal Chang Tso-lin left Peking on the morning of the 1st. During the evacuation, political work will be carried out by the Cabinet. In the evening of the 31st Marshal Chang requested Mr. Wang Shih-chang, a fellow school mate of Dr. Duen Chi-jun, the former Chief Executive at Peking, to take measures for the maintenance of peace and order in Peking during his absence. Mr. Wang had promised to do so.—"Wah Keung Po."

Chiang to Attack.
Peking, Saturday.

Marshal Chiang has ordered a general attack on the 1st. He is proceeding in an armoured car, with Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, the Shansi Military Governor, to Pao-ting, in order to direct military operations. The 3rd Army Corps of the Nationalist army has passed through Pao-ting.—"Wah Keung Po."

Tokyo Opinion.
Tokyo, Saturday.

Opinions here differ as to the probable effects of Marshal Chang Tso-lin's contemplated withdrawal from Peking.

Some of the newspapers believe that the three allied Southern leaders, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek (commander-in-chief of the Nationalist army), General Feng Yu-hsiang, the "Christian General" (commander of the Kuomintang) and General Yen Hsi-shan (governor of Shansi province) will co-operate successfully for the restoration of peace in North China and that they will not attempt to pursue the retreating Northern armies into Manchuria.

Other papers are frankly pessimistic about probable developments.

Military circles, although anxious to appear to share the view that undue pessimism is uncalled for, are hopeful that further military action on the part of Japan will not be necessary.—Reuter.

Queer "Calinness."
Tokyo, Saturday.

Reports from Peking mention the proclamation by the Northern authorities of special martial law, also that an air of tenseness and "queer calmness" prevails, while the Foreign garrisons in the Legation Quarter are prepared for any emergency.

Code messages from Peking report that the censorship on outgoing messages is becoming increasingly rigorous.—Reuter.

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THE RAIN-STORM.

CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE ON THE KOWLOON SIDE.

FLATS COLLAPSE.

During the last four or five days, Hong Kong has experienced heavy downpours of rain, and on Thursday something in the nature of a cloud-burst occurred over the peninsula, bringing about semi-darkness for half an hour from 8.30 a.m. Rain continued to fall steadily.

The downpour took the usual toll of damage in the form of houses collapsing, landslides, and other minor damage. An old red-brick building, No. 75 Wongnei-chong-road, Happy Valley, which was in a dilapidated condition owing to the fact that it had not been tenanted for some time past was the first to suffer.

On Saturday two houses fell in Kowloon. These were flats in Krammer-street. Fortunately no casualties are reported. The peculiarity of this incident is that while Nos. 3 and 7 fell, No. 5 is still standing but is in a precarious condition. No. 3 was empty at the time of the collapse, while at No. 7 the tenants were wise enough to leave it before it crumbled.

P.W.D. found it necessary to condemn Nos. 9, 11, and 23, in the same street, all being in an unsafe condition.

Landslides have occurred on the hills near Kowloon, trees rooted up and washed down, and nullahs, nearly full, are pouring their contents of red mud into the harbour. Many roads are flooded, but not to any serious extent.

Later Details.
Enquiries made late on Saturday night elicited the information that, thanks to the prompt action of the Building Authority, assisted by Fire Brigade, an immediately undertaken the task of shoring up the threatened houses in Krammer-street their collapse was averted.

OBITUARY.

MR. W. M. DOWDALL.

The "N. C. Daily News" records the death of Mr. W. M. Dowdall which occurred on May 21, at Hove, Sussex.

The deceased was born in Dublin in 1843 and arrived in Shanghai in 1882. He practised in Shanghai as an architect and engineer, and the Church of St. Ignatius at Siccawei was designed by him and will stand as a reminder of this true son of his much-loved Church, whose life was one of rigid integrity and uprightness.

The late Mr. Dowdall had a fine tenor voice and was heard on many occasions in Shanghai. He was particularly fond of Italian opera. He was always deeply interested in the Shanghai Volunteers and was in command of the Engineer Co. in its very early days, retiring from the S.V.C. with the rank of major.

During the 37 years lived in Shanghai, he only went to England once and retired in 1919. His widow and six children survive him.

Mr. W. A. Cruickshank, otherwise Mr. W. A. Carruthers Cruickshank, formerly of "The Retreat," Brookwood, Surrey, who died on Nov. 19, 1927, left estate in Hong Kong to the value of \$68,500. Net English estate amounts to \$20,940. Re-issuing of probate and a codicil has been granted to the Hon. Mr. B. D. F. Beith of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., who is the attorney of Mrs. Mary Cruickshank, the widow, and Mr. A. D. Murray, London, the executors.

He left a number of family bequests, providing for Mrs. Cruickshank, the sisters and children.

Peace Preservation.

Tokyo, Saturday.

A telegram from Peking, replying to enquiries from the Peace Preservation Committee of Peking, Chiang Kai-shek, Feng Yu-hsiang and Yen Hsi-shan have jointly announced that they trust that Committee with the task of preserving peace and order during the transition period and ask them not to allow troops to enter the capital for some time, except a few under the Shansi General Tan Ching-lin who will be appointed Provost Marshal temporarily.

Another report states that uneasiness prevails owing to the rumour that the Communists plot disturbances after the withdrawal of the Northerners.—Reuter.

Japanese Boycotted at Rangoon.
London, Saturday.

The "Times" Rangoon correspondent states that the Chinese community is quietly and effectively boycotting Japanese merchandise and shipping and raising large sums for the relief of their comrades in Shantung.

The latest example are threats uttered against persons assisting in the shipment of cargo from the steamer "Seangbee," Chinese-owned but mortgaged to a Japanese firm.—Reuter.

FOR THE SESSIONS.

HOLLYWOOD-ROAD ARMED ROBBERY.

OLD WOMAN AS VICTIM.

At the Central Magistracy on Saturday, Maj. C. Willson committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions two young Chinese on a charge of armed robbery on the third floor of No. 156, Hollywood-road, at 9 a.m. on May 7.

Detective Sergeant Rozesky conducted the case for the prosecution. The accused, who were not defended, both pleaded "not guilty."

In the flat at the time of the robbery were an old woman and a small girl, who were terrorised by two robbers who exhibited daggers. After binding and gagging the two helpless females, the two men ransacked the place and eventually got away with jewellery and money to the value of \$335.

Early Arrest.
The police were informed immediately after the robbery and, following up clues they were able to gather, they soon took the two defendants into custody. The first accused was arrested in a house in Sheung Fung-lane, whilst the other was taken into custody in Mui Fung-lane.

How preparations for the robbery were made, allegedly, by the second accused was related by the old woman in evidence. According to her, at the beginning of last month she put up a notice in the doorway announcing that a cubicle was to let. On May 5, second accused, posing as a prospective tenant, called at the place to see the cubicle. He was satisfied with the cubicle but stated that he would not move in until a few days later, as he was waiting for a friend who was coming from Macao, and would share the cubicle with him.

Paid \$3 Deposit.
As proof of his intention of renting the cubicle, second accused paid the old woman \$3 as deposit money, and told her she could take down the "to let" notice.

Having thus gained the old woman's confidence, the supposed tenant of the cubicle did not experience any difficulty in gaining admission to the flat on the morning of the robbery, accompanied by first accused, who was alleged to have been the prime mover in the robbery following their visit to the house.

Both accused made statements from the dock in reply to the allegation against them.

Denials By Accused.
First accused said that on May 7, at a little before 9 o'clock, he met the second accused and two other men surnamed Lam and Lau, whom he understood had just arrived from Macao. On their invitation he went with them to Hollywood-road to see their cubicle.

On arrival at the house, Lam and Lau produced daggers and proceeded to hold up the old woman and the little girl, and then ransacked the place. He departed as soon as he saw this, because he did not want to be mixed up in the affair.

Second accused said that Lam and Lau wrote to him from Macao asking him to arrange a cubicle for them, against their pending arrival from Macao. He hunted for suitable quarters and eventually found the cubicle on the third floor of No. 156, Hollywood-road.

"Knew Nothing About It."
He liked the place and paid \$3 as deposit on May 5. Lam and Lau arrived from Macao on the night of May 6, and the next morning the witness took them to inspect the cubicle.

After they had seen the cubicle, both Lam and Lau said that they were satisfied, and Lam paid back to the witness the \$3 deposit money which he had advanced.

Immediately he was paid by Lam he left the house as he had another engagement elsewhere. When he departed, leaving the other men behind, nothing untoward had happened. If a robbery was committed in the place afterwards, he did not know anything about it.

Bradford was a sunlight city when the Duke and Duchess of York recently, in continuance of their Yorkshire tour, visited the Valley Wool and Worsted Mills, Appleby Bridge, opened the new \$140,000 road and laid the foundation stone for the new infirmary costing \$500,000. The tour of the Valley Mills occupied an hour and a half. The Duke and Duchess watched all the processes from the moment the raw wool reaches the mill until it leaves the premises as finished cloth. They were invited each to accept an overall made of material manufactured, dyed, finished and tailored in Bradford. These were worn during the tour and retained as mementoes. The Duke was presented with a grey fancy worsted suit and the Duchess with a brown costume for sports wear.

A BIGGER BART'S.

FAMOUS PROPERTIES ACQUIRED.

A LITERARY HAUNT.

St. Bartholomew's Hospital has acquired, in connection with future extensions, the freehold of neighbourhood properties having an area approximately of 21,770 superficial feet, and rich in literary and other associations.

The properties in question comprise:—
Nos. 62 to 71a, Bartholomew Close and the Coach and Horses public-house.

No. 48, Little Britain (the Queen's Head and French Horn public-house).

Nos. 49 to 57, Little Britain.

\$50,623 Paid.
The treasurer's annual report, just issued, states that with the assent of the Charity Commissioners, the freeholds of the several premises have been acquired for \$50,623, which includes a fee of \$2,000 paid to the architect by whom the properties were brought to the notice of the governors for services in connection therewith, but not including the hospital's purchase price and expenses is being provided from funds standing in the name of the Official Trustees of Charitable Funds, being the proceeds of the sales of real estate.

The premises acquired are on the northeast side of the hospital, but divided from it by the ancient thoroughfare of Little Britain. The new area is bounded on the north side by the churchyard of St. Bartholomew the Great, on the east side by that church's cloisters and the offices of the City of London Union, and on the south by the little-known street called Bartholomew Close.

The street aspect of the transaction is interesting. When the existing leases lapse and the hospital erects new buildings Little Britain will be crossed by means of a subway, and easy communication thus established with the existing hospital buildings. There is every reason to believe that arrangements can be made with the City Corporation for the purchase and closing of the strip of land known as Bartholomew Close-court, an annex to the Close itself, covering an area of, roughly, 3,000 square feet. Possession of the old properties, it is also believed, consisting mainly of shops, offices, and dwelling-houses, most of them four storeys in height disposes of any question of compensation in the event of the hospital authorities erecting buildings on the new block to a greater height than those at present existing.

Where Milton Lived.
Bartholomew Close figures in Defoe's well-known romance of "Moll Flanders," and among its one-time tenants were Milton and Dr. Caius, the physician and founder of Caius College, Cambridge.

Another tenant in Stuart times was Hubert Le Sueur, the sculptor who modelled the statue of Charles I. at Charing-cross, and in one of the many printing offices formerly in this thoroughfare there worked for some time Benjamin Franklin as a journeyman printer.

Little Britain, the name of which is traced by Strype, the antiquary, to the fact that it occupies the site of the residence of the olden Dukes of Brittany, was formerly called Duck-lane, and once boasted among its residents Sir Thomas Bodley, donor of the famous Oxford library. It became a noted resort of publishers and booksellers, and saw the publication of "Paradise Lost." Addison gives the Dolphin in Little Britain as an address for letters to be sent to "Mr. Spectator," and it was from the same tavern that the "Spectator's" publisher, Samuel Buckley, was taken to the Bar of the House of Commons and sent to prison as printer of the first daily newspaper, the "Daily Courant."

Boswell records that when Johnson was brought to London as a child to be "touched for the evil" by Queen Anne, he and his mother stayed with Nicholson, "the famous bookseller in Little Britain." Franklin in his "Autobiography" also puts it on record that he lodged in Little Britain for 8s. 6d. a week, and prevailed on Wilcox, the bookseller next door, to enjoy the run of his stock of secondhand books "on certain reasonable terms."

"The person most delighted at my Association is my wife," Mr. Harold Knight, the husband of Mrs. Laura Knight, A.R.A., told a London reporter. "Mr. Knight was discussing his election as a member of the Royal Academy. 'When she was elected an Associate last year she said she would far prefer that the honour had fallen to me. That attitude is characteristic of her.' She bet me at the time that my name would soon appear in the honours list, and I am glad to say that she has won. I have been able now to receive back the congratulations I tendered to my wife six months ago."

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TACOMA MARU Thursday, 21st June.
INDUS MARU Thursday, 5th July.
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MONBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
SHUNKU MARU Thursday, 5th July.
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Japan ports.
ARIZONA MARU Monday, 11th June.
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.
MENADO MARU Friday, 8th June 10 a.m.
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HAYANA MARU Middle of June.
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KISHU MARU Sunday, 10th June noon.
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The accuracy and utility of the Observatory forecasts will increase in proportion to the number of ships co-operating, the accuracy of the observations, and the promptness with which they are despatched.

In the interest of shipping, therefore, every master possessing a radio-telegraphic installation should send observations at the hours stated, namely, at 0300, 0600, 0900 and 2200 G.M.T., and endeavour to make the service as efficient as possible.

Type of Barometer.

It is requested that mercurial barometers should be used whenever possible, and that owners should co-operate by supplying their ships with at least one good mercurial barometer, of the Board of Trade pattern. Very few aneroid barometers are satisfactory. Generally speaking, the index error varies considerably from time to time, and is seldom constant throughout the scale. Moreover their readings are usually affected by changes of temperature though they are supposed to be compensated in this respect. In every case the readings should be followed by the word "mercury" if a mercurial barometer is read, or "aneroid" if an aneroid is read.

In this revised circular corrected readings of the barometer are requested, in order to bring merchant ships into line with the larger ships of H.M.'s Navy, which are supplied with barometers having "Gold" scales, for readily obtaining the barometric pressure at sea level, the freezing point of water, and normal gravity.

It is very important that a few readings (at least four) of the barometer used for the wireless messages should be taken in Hong Kong and forwarded to the Observatory for comparison with the standard.

What Is Required.

It is requested that when within range of Cape d'Aguilar, (Call sign V.P.S.: Latitude 22.12.39 N, and Longitude 114.15.19 E) the Captain will arrange for observations to be made at 0300, 0600, 0900 and 2200 G.M.T. and for a message, prepared by the observer, to be handed to the operator for

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- (c) Temperature of the air.
- (d) Wind direction and force; adding "steady," "veering" or "backing."
- (e) State of Sea.
- (f) State of weather (in plain language) "fine" meaning sky less than 4/10 covered; "fair" 4/10 to 6/10 covered; "cloudy" 7/10 or 8/10 covered; "overcast" more than 8/10 covered.

In no circumstances will the operator write these messages.

Method of Transmission.

Reports for transmission from the ship will be addressed to "Royal Observatory, Hong Kong," and immediately on the acceptance of these messages the operator will enter (a) Prefix "S," (b) Date, (c) Time handed in (G.M.T.).

All messages handed in under the above conditions shall be dealt with as follows:—

They shall be communicated to the coast station at the first opportunity, and shall receive priority as Government messages.

Wherever possible, each message shall be repeated.

All messages shall be treated free of coast tax, ship tax, and land charges.

Reports handed in for transmission written on any form other than on the message form numbered SI, shall be affixed to a message form SI in such a manner as not to cover the space reserved for service instructions and other data.

From June 1, 1928, continuous watch on 600 and 2400 metres will be kept by V.P.S. Reply to messages on 2400 metres will be on 2800 metres, CW, unless I.C.W. is requested. Ships fitted with C.W. are requested to use the 2400-2800 metre service if the 600 metre service is busy.

What Is Sent Out.
The information broadcast by the Royal Observatory, Hong Kong, is as follows:—

Meteorological observations from various stations in the Far East, followed by a Weather Report and Forecast, will be broadcast by V.P.S. on 600 metres, at 0400 and 1200 G.M.T. A repetition of the 0400 message will be made by V.P.S. on 2800 metres I.C.W. at 0500, and of the 1200 message on 2000 metres I.C.W. immediately following the 1800 time-signal.

The Weather Reports and Forecasts will also be broadcast by G.O.W. on 300 metres telephony, at 0548 and 1148 G.M.T.

The names of the observing stations included in the morning and evening broadcasts are given below, together with the code letters of each station.

As it has been found impossible to secure complete synchronism, the morning barometer readings will be reduced approximately to 2200 and the afternoon observations to 0600 G.M.T.

From June 1, 1928, the first two letters of each group will indicate the station.

The first four figures of each group will give the barometer reduced to 32 degrees F., sea level, and gravity at 45 degrees. The fifth and sixth figures the temperature of the air in degrees Fahrenheit, the seventh and eighth the temperature of evaporation, the ninth and tenth the direction of the wind (00—North; 04—East; 08—South; 12—West) the eleventh the force of the wind on the Beaufort scale, 9 meaning 9 or above. The twelfth the weather according to the following code (Code III of the International Code):—

- 0—fine; blue sky or detached clouds.
- 1—Cloudy.
- 2—Overcast.
- 3—Fog or mist.
- 4—Thick fog.
- 5—Passing showers.
- 6—Rain or drizzle.
- 7—Snow or sleet.
- 8—Hail, or rain and hail.
- 9—Thunderstorm.

A missing element is indicated by "x," "xx" or "xxx."

Stations whose meteorological observations are broadcast by Cape d'Aguilar, Hong Kong, are as follows:—

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Broadcast at 1200 G.M.T.

Shanghai, Sharp Peak, Amoy, Taihoku, Koshun, Pescadores, Hong Kong, Pratas Island, Phulien, Tourane, Cape St. James, Basco, Aparri, Manila, Legaspi, Tacloban, Iloilo, Surigao.

Storms And Times.

Storm warnings are broadcast (until 1600 G.M.T.) by V.P.S. on 600 metres at 18 minutes past every hour and by G.O.W. on 300 metres telephony at 48 minutes past every hour.

The Royal Observatory, Hong Kong, also sends wireless time signals, via V.P.S. on a 2000 metre wave (I.C.W.), in accordance with the Manila programme, between 0155 and 0200 G.M.T., and between 1255 and 1300 G.M.T. In this programme dots are sent each second; the 28th, 29th, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th and 59th seconds being omitted for the purpose of identifying the signals.

The time signals are preceded by the following warning signals from V.P.S., between 0153 and 0155 G.M.T. and between 1253 and 1254 G.M.T.—CQ, DE, V.P.S., HK, TIME, WAIT.

Radio-telegraphic land and ship stations within range of V.P.S. are required to keep silent between 0153 and 0200 G.M.T. and between 1253 and 1300 G.M.T. in accordance with Article 45, paragraph 3, of the Service Regulations appended to the International Radio-telegraph Convention of 1912. Operators are also required to keep themselves provided with the most accurate time available in order to know when to shut down.

T. F. CLAXTON,
Director.

June 1, 1928.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nankin" left Singapore for this port with the Mails, and is due here to-morrow at about noon.

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Mr. A. Nalsmith, chief officer, "Chinhua," has gone chief officer, "Kaying."
Mr. C. W. Randall, second officer, "Changsha," has gone second officer, "Wanliu."
Mr. P. McAllister, second officer, "Liangchow," has gone sup'y second officer, "Hsin Peking."
Mr. F. J. Gregg, second officer, "Shengking," has gone second officer, "Liangchow."
Mr. W. E. Atwood, second officer, "Chungking," has gone acting chief officer, "Szechuen."
Mr. W. L. Thomas, chief officer, "Szechuen," is on reserve.
Mr. G. P. Cope, from reserve, has gone acting chief officer, "Shansi."
Mr. W. L. Jones, chief officer, "Shansi," is on reserve.
Mr. C. E. Cleaver, second officer, "Fatsan," has resigned owing to ill-health.
Mr. D. C. Cameron, second officer, "Nanchang," has gone second officer, "Fatsan."
Mr. W. D. Cashel, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Nanchang."
Captain D. H. Martin, of the "Kalgan," has gone master, "Kinyuan."
Captain T. Johnstone, of the "Kinyuan," has gone master, "Kalgan."
Mr. E. Michelson, second officer, "Ninghai," has gone second officer, "Anking."
Mr. V. H. Kirkland, second officer, "Anking," has resigned from the C.N. Co.
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Mr. A. J. Campbell, sup'y officer, "Chinhua," has gone third officer, "Anking."
Mr. D. V. Duncanson, second officer, "Linan," is on reserve.
Mr. A. H. Finnie, second officer, "Kwangtung," has gone second officer, "Linan."
Mr. R. M. Woolfenden, sup'y officer, "Chinhua," has gone second officer, "Kwangtung."
Mr. P. Bolam, second officer, "Chinhua," has gone second officer, "Soochow."
Mr. B. C. Finch, second officer, "Soochow," has gone second officer, "Chinhua."
Mr. H. E. Woodstock, chief officer, "Hsin Peking," is on reserve.
Mr. W. Orwin, chief officer, "Yunnan," has gone chief officer, "Hsin Peking."
Mr. J. A. Duggan, third engineer officer, "Sunning," has gone acting second engineer officer, "Chungking."
Mr. C. Maberly, third engineer officer, "Whanpu," has gone third engineer officer, "Sunning."
Mr. F. Appleton, sup'y third engineer officer, "Tungchow," has gone sup'y third engineer officer, "Shuntien."
Mr. L. A. Macfarlane, engineer officer in charge of tug "Chenyang," has gone third engineer officer, "Kanchow."
Mr. D. B. Kerr, third engineer officer, "Kanchow," has gone engineer officer in charge of tug "Chenyang."
Mr. F. G. Hudson, from Home, has been appointed acting third engineer officer, "Taming."
Mr. G. S. Arthur, chief engineer officer, "Wanliu," has gone chief engineer officer, "Kwangtung."
Mr. J. H. Bryson, from reserve, has gone acting chief engineer officer, "Wanliu."
Mr. E. C. Fitzpatrick, from reserve, has gone third engineer officer, "Sulyang."
Mr. E. Sweet, third engineer officer, "Sulyang," has gone third engineer officer, "Woosung."
Mr. J. Will, third engineer officer, "Newchwang," has gone acting second engineer officer, "Kwei-yang."
Mr. G. J. Forster, sup'y third engineer officer, "Sulyang," has gone third engineer officer, "Newchwang."

Mr. J. W. E. Tonkin, from reserve, has gone sup'y engineer officer, "Chinhua."
Mr. J. Rees, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Kwaisang."
Mr. N. Richardson, from reserve, has gone acting chief officer, "Kutwo."
Mr. A. Woodley, chief officer, "Kutwo," is on reserve.
Mr. A. Sinclair, acting master, "Yatsing," has gone chief officer, "Suiwo."
Mr. J. A. Lindsay, second officer, "Kwaisang," is on reserve.
Mr. W. W. Colquhoun, from reserve, has gone third engineer officer, "Kutwo."
Mr. J. Findlater, third engineer officer, "Kutwo," has gone acting second engineer officer, "Yatsing."
Mr. A. McN. Marshall, second engineer officer, "Yatsing," has gone second engineer officer, "Slangwo."
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Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	SUISANG	Fri., 16th June at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	YUENSANG	Thurs., 21st June at 7 a.m.
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Calcutta & Ceylon	KUTSANG	Mon., 4th June at 5 p.m.
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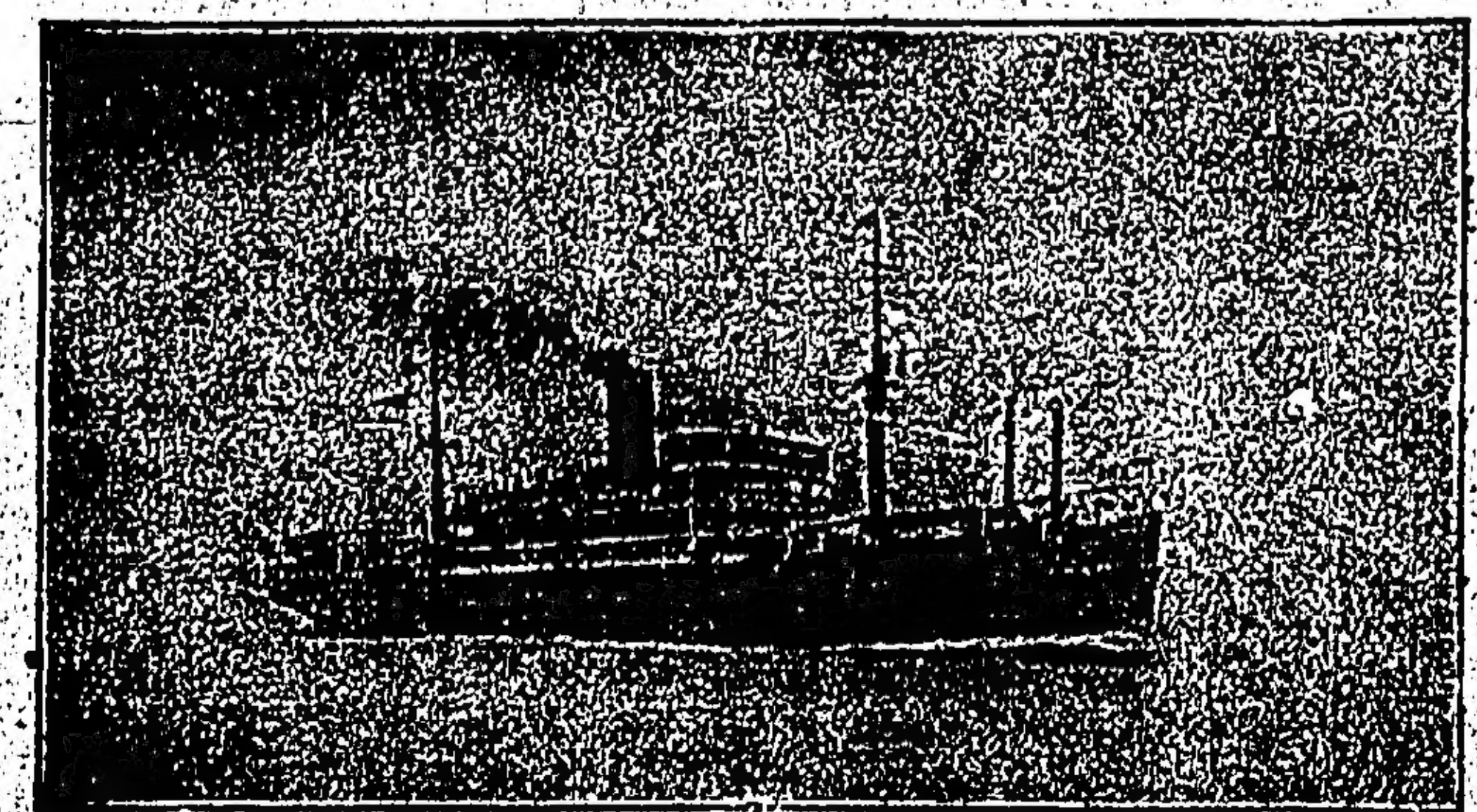
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HIS MAJESTY THE KING.

Yesterday was the sixty-third anniversary of the birthday of His Majesty King George the Fifth and to-day the auspicious event is being celebrated in England throughout the Empire and wherever Britons may be situated. On this occasion, as in past years, it is certain that His Majesty's subjects will welcome the opportunity to make fitting display of the loyalty and affection with which they regard the head of the Realm. Of King George the Fifth it may not perhaps be said that, as in the case of his illustrious father, the late King Edward the Seventh, he has been as conspicuous in the sphere of diplomacy. King Edward, during the last few years of his comparatively short reign—he occupied the throne for less than ten years—was deservedly known as the "Peace-Maker," chiefly because of his pre-eminent success as a diplomatist in the European countries to which he turned his attention and deemed it expedient to link in friendly alliance with England. King George the Fifth has passed most of his reign in very different circumstances. He ascended the throne on the death of his father in 1912, at a time when Europe and the world generally appeared to be particularly peaceful, very largely owing to his father's far-sighted and peaceful diplomacy. But only two more years were to pass before King George was to experience one of the most terrible ordeals surely ever experienced by any monarch in any period of the world's history. In August, 1914, England found it incumbent upon her in-

tional honour to enter upon the terrific conflict that was soon to develop into the most terrible war of modern or ancient times and which very properly is now referred to and will long be known as the World War. His country's entrance to even what may be termed an ordinary war cannot but be a very trying ordeal to the head of any State at any time, as upon him, in such a calamity, devolves many additional duties and much real anxiety. It therefore is no light praise that is universally given to King George that from beginning to end of the World War he performed his onerous duties in exemplary manner. His Majesty gives one the impression that his chief characteristic is sound commonsense (which is not so common as to be conspicuous in every monarch) and he is never more sensible than when he is following the Cabinet's advice, which of course he invariably does through the excellent medium of the Prime Minister. His Majesty is under no delusion as to a monarch's supposed "divine right" nor would he ever act contrary to the wishes of the Cabinet. In that and all other respects His Majesty is much better balanced than many other "crowned heads." King George the Fifth is, in fact, an ideal constitutional monarch and will go down to posterity as one who had no delusions regarding his high position in the State. Personally, he is a very likeable, highly cultured gentleman, and one who is held in genuine affection by all classes of his subjects, all of whom, on this his birthday, will sincerely wish him many happy returns.

VAGRANT'S PASS.

A WANDERING PERUVIAN IN TROUBLE.

A Peruvian, named Frederick Castro, was on Saturday charged before Major C. Willson, at the Central Magistracy, with vagrancy. In the Colony. The man, according to Sub-Inspector Elston, was being repatriated from Singapore and was to have been transhipped here, but irregularities in his passport held him up. His commitment to the House of Detention was ordered by the Magistrate pending the straightening out of the passport difficulty.

THE PERFECT MAN.

There is a man who never drinks,
Nor smokes, nor chews or swears,
Who never gambles, never flirts
And skims all sinful snares.

There is a man who never does
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HE'S DEAD.

"FEMINA."

"BLUFF AND KEEP ON
BLUFFING."

FORCING EFFORTS.

Said the "Sunday Herald" yesterday:—

As the result of tremendous forcing efforts "Femina" has survived another week in a lightsome manner, thanks to treatment by our junior evening and both morning contemporaries. So, for the present, the policy of "bluff and keep on bluffing" prevails.

The serious aspect of the matter, which other journals have so far dodged, has not been lost sight of, and for that reason the "Sunday Herald" continues to withhold from publication all the letters received having to do with "Femina" with the exception of one. This is published because the writer took the trouble to bring it to the office himself and is known to us as a responsible resident without any strain of that perversity which has characterized the efforts of other writers. Other letters received in this office are, we are confident, genuine, but their bona fides have not been investigated. A wise man does a foolish thing once; only a fool keeps on doing it.

Correspondents whose letters are still being held over include:

Charlie Smiles.
Don Q.
X.X.X.
Caustic.
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Other correspondents have been communicated with.

The Motive?

The letter referred to above is as follows:—

Dear Sir,—Reading the issue of the "China Mail" on Saturday evening and the "Sunday Herald" of yesterday, one is amazed to find that the letter purported to have been written by one "Femina" is nothing less than a Public Hoax.

The suggestions which you make that this "farc" is nothing short of a direct attack upon your paper seems to me to be a serious allegation, and one which I feel sure you will not rest until you have probed to your own satisfaction.

One wonders what is the motive for this bickering and controversy between the various papers published in the Colony. If what you state is true there is little doubt that the public will treat the papers concerned with contempt. After all said and done the Press must respect the intelligence of the community to whom it looks for its support, and if certain press in the Colony intend to use the medium of their publications for airing their "quibbles" and "petty jealousy" against another newspaper, then the sooner it closes its doors the better.

When the "letter" from "Femina" first appeared, one felt it was too ridiculous to be true, and remarks such as "I wonder what this means?" and "Somebody is getting at somebody here" were to be heard in all quarters. Surely the Press has plenty of information of real interest and concern for the public without resorting to "public leg-pulling" and attempting to injure the progress of a local contemporary.

The public will appreciate your efforts to bring this "nonsense" to an end, and I am sure the "China Mail" and the "Sunday Herald" will lose nothing in so doing.

Assuring you of my support,
Yours, etc.,
Cabbage Looking.

LOCAL CHRISTENING.

BABY DODSON AT ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.

At the Roman Catholic Cathedral, Glenageary, yesterday afternoon, the baby daughter of Mr. C. H. Dodson, proprietor of the Motor Cycle and Car Exchange, Kowloon, and of Mrs. Dodson (nee Holliday), was christened Eunice Freda.

The sponsors were Miss M. T. Julian and Mr. P. T. F. Julian. The Main Altar of the Immaculate Conception was prettily lit with electric lights and the Church bells were rung both when the party entered and left the Cathedral.

The officiating Clergy was the Rev. Father A. Rossi. After the ceremony an informal reception was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dodson, President apartments, Kowloon, and in the evening a Chinese dinner was held in town.

THREE WEDDINGS.

LOCAL CHINESE FAMILIES UNITED.

A PORTUGUESE COUPLE.

Three pretty weddings were solemnised on Saturday.

At St. John's Cathedral, two well-known local Chinese families were united, and the happy couple are to conclude the festivities with a honeymoon trip around the world.

Mr. James Tung-sang Choy and Miss Sylvia Joyce Lau were the contracting parties. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. Choy Hing, of the Sun Co., Ltd., who is a highly respected merchant of Hong Kong, Canton and Australia. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lau Hey-shing.

The Very Rev. Dean Swann performed the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. S. K. Tso. Mr. Lau Hey-shing gave his daughter away.

Louis XV. Dress.

The bride had a retinue of nine. She wore a charming Louis XV dress with bouffant skirt, in taffeta, and with a generous application of silver lace lined with pearls. Her bouquet was of white roses, white carnations and maiden-hair fern.

There were four bridesmaids, the Misses Alma O'Hoy, Phoebe To, Marion Sun and Lau Hing-tong. They wore dresses of different shades which set off the pompadour effect in the bride's attire. Their bouquets were of pink roses and maiden-hair fern.

The Misses Lau Hing-chun, Anita Woo and Vivian Woo were the flower-girls. Their dresses also lent shades of colour to the whole scheme.

Big Reception.

Master Denis Lau and Master Kenneth Lo were the pages.

Mrs. Lau, the bride's mother, was attired in the Chinese lady's ceremonial costume.

Mr. Ng Sze-kwong (ex-tennis champion of the Colony and chairman of the Chinese Recreation Club) was best man. There were three groom's men, Messrs. Woo Hing-tak, Choy Koon-shiu and Choy Wai-lam.

The subsequent ceremony at No. 2, Park-road was largely attended. After the round of ceremonies in connection with such a fashionable Chinese marriage, the bride and bridegroom are to travel round the world.

R.C. CATHEDRAL.

The Castro and Danenberg Families.

Mr. Antoine Pio Castro and Miss Kathleen Grace Danenberg were married at the Roman Catholic Cathedral on Saturday.

The groom is the son of Mr. C. M. and the late Mrs. Castro. The bride is the daughter of the late Mr. F. P. Danenberg and Mrs. L. F. Danenberg.

The Rev. Father Rossi performed the ceremony. Three bridesmaids were in attendance, these being the Misses Wilhelmina Danenberg, Lucy Lopes and Cissy Botelho.

The bride was given away by her uncle, Mr. D. P. J. Lopes.

Dr. F. M. Graca Ozorio was sponsor for the bride and Mr. A. Mackenzie was sponsor for the bridegroom.

A reception was held at the Hotel Savoy. The honeymoon is being spent at Macao, and the bride's travelling dress is of pink georgette, with hat to match.

The groom's present to the bride was a diamond cluster ring; that of the bride to the groom was a cigarette case.

IN KOWLOON.

Mr. Ng Ming-chiu and Miss Valentine Lo.

The Hop Ching Hall of Kowloon was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday when Mr. Ng Ming-chiu, B.S., F.S.A., the only son of Dr. Ng Man-ying, was married to Miss Valentine Lo, B.A., youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lo Kan-ling.

The Rev. W. T. Featherstone, M.A., officiated.

The bride was given away by her father. She wore a charming frock of silk net, with a Brussels lace veil and coronet of pearls with orange blossom.

Miss Violet Wu was bridesmaid and Mr. Ng Tai-ping was best man. The bridesmaid's costume was of French shell pink crepe-de-sole, with a mauve picture hat to match. She carried a bouquet of mauve orchids.

The reception was held at No. 44, Nathan-road. Mr. and Mrs. Lo Kan-ling were host and hostess to a large number of friends. Mr. Ng Tai-ping, the talented Chinese singer, sang a song entitled "Beauty—Cruelty" with violin accompaniment by Professor Valentine Pini, D.M.

The honeymoon is being spent at Peking.

JAPAN'S REPLY.

NOTE DELIVERED TO WAICHAOPU.

A TEMPORARY MEASURE.

Peking, Saturday.

The Japanese Legation has issued the text of a note to the Waichiaopu replying to the various notes from the Waichiaopu, relative to the despatch of Japanese troops to Chinese territory.

The Note says it is obvious that the Chinese Government should assume responsibility for protecting foreign property and lives and the Japanese Legation wishes to express its sincere appreciation for the recent declarations by the Chinese Government regarding the protection of foreigners.

The Japanese Government is gladly relying upon the Chinese Government's protection, but in the light of recent events, especially the deplorable incident at Tsinan, it is felt it was necessary to take its own measures for the protection of its nationals.

The Note goes on to draw attention to the fact that the Chinese Delegation at the Washington Conference agreed to a resolution that was justifiable and in accordance with the accepted principles of international law for a nation or nations to send or station armed forces in other states as a temporary measure in order to meet emergencies which threatened to endanger the lives and property of nationals of such nation taking such action. It was in the spirit of that declaration that Japanese troops were sent to Shantung.—Reuter.

MUTILATED.

JAPANESE OFFICER'S BODY.

YALU BANDITS.

Tokyo, Saturday.

According to local Press reports, Japanese police of Korea who were pursuing Chinese bandits at the Yalu frontier discovered the badly mutilated body of Lt. Wakabayashi, who was kidnapped on May 28.—Reuter.

Japanese War Office reports said that as the result of a Manchurian bandit raid across the Korean frontier in Yalu, involving the capture of a Japanese subaltern and several casualties among the Japanese Garrison headquarters at Ryuzan had despatched a battalion to the scene of the outrage as a precaution against further trouble.

A strong protest was lodged with the local Chinese authorities.

Two infantry battalions, a machine-gun unit and some guns were held in readiness.

Japanese troops then clashed with the bandits, the latter retreating, leaving five or six dead.

HEAVY TOLL.

COUNTRYWIDE STORMS IN JAPAN.

800 HOUSES FLOODED.

Tokyo, Saturday.

Storms all over Japan have taken a heavy toll during the last few days.

Sixteen soldiers were struck by lightning during artillery practice in Northern Japan. Two of them are expected to succumb.

Eight hundred houses have been flooded and several wrecked, including the police station and post office at Kagoshima.

A small steamer has foundered in a storm off Saghalin and eleven were drowned.—Reuter.

RUSSIAN OIL.

CHAIRMAN OF SYNDICATE APPOINTED.

Moscow, Saturday.

M. Sokolnikov, formerly Commissioner of Finance in the Soviet Government, has been appointed chairman of the Oil Syndicate.—Reuter.

TEASERS.

Answer The "China Mail" Questions.

TO-DAY'S POSERS.

From day to day a series of half a dozen questions, not tremendously difficult to answer but not always so simply solved as may be thought, appear on this page. Answers are given on page nine.

1. Who is the third son of King George?
2. What is a Nobel Prize worth?
3. Who inaugurated them?
4. What is M. Zaimis?
5. How old is the King?
6. And the Prince of Wales?

PEKING GIVEN UP.

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coup d'état. His forces are believed to be mostly in the vicinity of Yangtsun.—Reuter.

Nationalist Report.

Shanghai, Yesterday. According to the Kuo Min news agency, Chiang Kai-shek has moved his headquarters from Shikhiachwang to Paoingtu and assumed personal direction of the offensive against Peking, with the assistance of Feng Yu-hsiang and Yen Hsi-shan.

The report adds that Chiang Kai-shek has ordered General Chu Pei-teh to launch an immediate offensive against Tientsin. The strength of the Nationalists on the Tientsin-Pukow line is 30,000.

The Kuo Min says that special martial law is being enforced at Tientsin.—Reuter.

CHANG TSO-LIN.

His Circular to Country Before Departure.

Peking, Saturday.

Yesterday afternoon Chang Tso-lin gave an audience to the representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and said that in view of the critical situation and for the welfare of the country, which he had at heart, he had withdrawn his troops from the various fronts for the sake of peace.

His relations with the merchants and people of Peking had been cordial, and he did not want to leave without arranging for the preservation of order in Peking. He had therefore asked Wang Shih-chien, as an Elder Statesman, to take over the responsibility for preserving order in the capital, and he asked merchants to have no fear but to be loyal to Wang Shih-chien.—Reuter.

His Swan-Song.

Peking, Yesterday.

Chang Tso-lin last evening issued an urgent circular telegram addressed all over the country.

In it he recalls his recent circular which suggested a cessation of the civil war in view of the international situation created by the Tsinan incident. He says:

"My hope and expectation is that our disputes will soon be wiped out. This would remove the anxiety of the friendly Powers and diminish the perils of Bolshevism."

"With the diplomatic issue remaining open and civil strife continuing, there was a prospect of bloodshed in the metropolitan area which would affect Chinese and Foreign interests alike. The war has stopped trade and the country's economic situation has become deplorable, many people being reduced to homelessness and starvation, to an extent beyond description."

Anti-Red Campaign.

"If we continue to fight, these people will only suffer more. This was not contemplated and not expected when I started my anti-Red campaign. My assumption of my difficult post last year was with the object of saving the States and even though my desire is not fulfilled I cannot bear to continue the military operations. I am therefore ready to evacuate Peking with my troops."

"The Central Administration I have handed over to the Cabinet. For the time being the army commanders will each bear the responsibility for evacuating their troops. Henceforth the political issues are left in the hands of the people."

Sacrifice Anything.

"I have been a military man half my life, and have met with many difficulties, but I would sacrifice anything for the sake of the welfare of the people."

"Hoping that China will not be exterminated as the result of my management of affairs, and hoping that the Bolshevik peril which I suppressed will not be revived, I declare myself innocent and with a clear conscience to the world and to our future generations."—Reuter.

London Press Views.

London, Yesterday.

"The Powers can only hope that the Chinese Nationalists will be content to stop short at the Great Wall, and there consolidate their gains," says the "Sunday Times."

Alternatively, should trouble in Manchuria supervene, that Japan will act with the utmost discretion; but Manchuria is Chang's chief arsenal, and he cannot be expected to remain idle there forever."

The "Observer" remarks that the Manchurian warlord returns to Manchuria as a warlord, or at all, only by courtesy of the Japanese. His triumph, if achieved, would have inaugurated a renewed despotism of the old type.—Reuter.

Tientsin Control.

Tientsin, Yesterday.

The Chinese commanders replied to General Yasumitsu agreeing to evacuate the Tientsin railway zone by Wednesday.

It is reported that a further delay of five days was then requested owing to financial collections.

The race meeting passed off today. The situation is satisfactory.—Reuter.

GRAND PARADE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

At this stage, H.E. the General Officer Commanding, South China Command, Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., took charge. He gave the commands "remove headresses" and "three cheers for His Majesty the King," the latter being responded to lustily by the company of Guards, the spectators at the saluting point, and passing along to the multitude on all sides.

Headed by their pipers, the Scots Guards then marched away, down Yardley-street and Chatter-road to Prince of Wales-gate at the Royal Naval Dockyard.

The Royal Air Force then carried out its part. Three aeroplanes, all Fairey 3D land machines, dipped down in formation to give the aerial salute on flying past the Cenotaph. The officers in the three planes were as follows:

Centre (the leader): Flight Lt. W. D. Gairdner, D.F.C., R.A.F.; observer, Lt. J. de B. Wallis, R.N.

On the left: Lt. J. W. Hale, R.N. (Flying Officer, R.A.F.); observer, Lt. K. W. Beard, R.N.

On the right: Flying Officer E. B. Webb, R.A.F.; observer, Lt. C. G. Trencham, R.N.

After flying from west to east in formation the machines rose, turned and dipped again in single file, going east to west, very low and close to the saluting base.

Major-General Luard and his Staff went to the head of the ceremonial march past in fours, he and his staff beautifully mounted.

From the starting point, the junction of Queen's-road and Murray-road, 2,500 men in different uniforms set off by decorations with officers' charges dotted here and there swung along Murray-road between the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground and the Naval Yard down to Connaught-road at the Victoria Recreation Club, and then marched westward along the waterfront.

The order of the number of men and officers commanding the respective units were as follows:

Royal Navy: 400: Commander L. H. K. Hamilton, D.S.O., H.M.S. "Wild Swan."

Royal Artillery: 150, being 53 each from the 12th, 20th and 31st Heavy Batteries: Lt.-Col. W. F. Christian, D.S.O.

Hong Kong Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery (the Indians): 350, from the 2nd, 3rd and 5th Batteries: Lt.-Col. T. A. F. Robinson.

Royal Engineers and Royal Corps of Signals: 100, including the Chinese in the 40th (Fortress) Co. R.E.; Major E. O. Alabaster.

2nd Battalion, Scots Guards: 50; Major E. C. T. Warner, D.S.O.

1st Battalion, Queen's Royal Regiment: 576; Brevet Lt.-Col. J. F. Boyd, D.S.O.

2nd Battalion, King's Own Scottish Borderers: 558; Lt.-Col. L. J. Conyn, C.M.G., D.S.O.

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps: 170; Lt.-Col. L. J. Bird, D.S.O.

1st Mountain Battery, Hong Kong Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery, which had limbered up on Murray parade ground after firing the salute and had joined the march past in column of route: Captain V. F. Brown, M.C.

3rd Battalion, 15th Punjabi Regiment: 500; Lt.-Col. H. T. C. Ivens.

Hong Kong Mule Corps: 50; Captain H. W. Sanders.

The Kosbies' band played for the march past of the Royal Navy, the Royal Artillery and the R.E. and R.C. of Signals. Then it turned about, marched down Chatter-road and joined its battalions as it came down Murray-road.

The three infantry regiments each had their own bands, therefore, when passing the saluting base. The Punjabis and the Volunteers also had their bands, the new colours of the latter looking very smart.

There was a space of about a hundred yards between each unit. As soon as the rear of one unit passed the base, its band ceased to play until reaching the junction of Queen Victoria-street and Connaught-road (outside the new Fire Station building). The whole length of this part of the Praya was lined by spectators, mostly Chinese, and a number watched from small craft in the harbour.

As one regimental march stopped, another was struck up until the last unit had passed, about half an hour after the first.

"Eyes Left" was given as each company or equivalent unit passed the saluting base.

With a vanguard of Traffic Department police motor-cyclists and following the Praya, the troops turned inward at Hillier-street and started to return at Bonham-strand East and then by way of Queen's-road Central.

Doors and verandahs of Chinese shops were filled with men, women and children and the pavements were full along Queen's-road. On reaching the point of assembly, the parade broke up and the various units returned to barracks.

Among those noticed present were: The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E. (Colonial Secretary), the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock,

U.S. SHIPBUILDING.

LOANS FOR SIX NEW AMERICAN VESSELS.

THE JONES-WHITE LAW.

Washington, Yesterday. The Oceanic, Oregon Oriental, and American Hawaiian Lines are concerned in a proposal to build at least six new vessels aided by Government loans. This is as a result of the new Jones-White Shipping Law.—Reuter's American Service.

HANDED OVER.

PRIVATE'S ALLEGED DISTURBANCE.

Arrested by Police Sergeant Jossop for causing a disturbance in Pedder-street, at 11 o'clock last night, Private Ernest Bird of the King's Own Scottish Borderers had been handed over to the Military authorities to be dealt with.

Private Bird was taken into custody after putting up a stubborn fight against four members of the Police Force.

The trouble was alleged to have first started through the soldier annoying a Chinese girl on a tramcar, and the police were called when the tram stopped outside the post-office.

ON THEIR HONOUR.

MAGISTRATE AND CONVICTED TREE CUTTERS.

The new experiment of placing tree cutters on their honour, was employed by Lieut.-Col. F. Eaves, D.S.O., at the Central Magistracy on Saturday. The people concerned were a Chinese man and a woman, who were charged with cutting Gambler tree roots in the Government plantation at Wong-nelchong. The defendants were fined \$5 each, and when he was informed that the fines could not be paid immediately, his Worship decided to put the defendants on their honour, and hoped that they would "play the game" in view of the leniency accorded them. They were given a week in which to raise the money to pay the fine, the Magistrate making it clear to them that if they defaulted at the end of that time, they would be arrested and sent to prison.

C.R.C. OFFICERS.

At a meeting of the Hong Kong Chinese Recreation Club Committee for 1928-1929, Mr. Ng Sze-kwong and Mr. C. F. Lee were re-elected chairman and hon. secretary, respectively, and Mr. Cheung U-pui was elected hon. treasurer.

Washington, Yesterday.—Australia's reply to the American invitation to participate in the Anti-War Treaty has been received. It favours the treaty.—Reuter.

K.C. (Attorney-General), the Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.B.E. (Colonial Treasurer), the Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, C.B.E. (Director of Public Works), the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G. (Captain Superintendent of Police), the Hon. Sir Shou-sun Chow, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kote-wall, C.M.G., LL.D., the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, the Hon. Mr. B. Owen Hughes, the Hon. Mr. B. D. F. Bell, the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Sir Henry Gollan, K.B.E., K.C. (Chief Justice), Mr. Justice F. Jacks (Puisne Judge), Mr. A. E. Wood (Director of Education), Lt.-Col. F. Eaves, D.S.O. (First Police Magistrate), Mr. S. B. B. McDermid, Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, Mr. J. W. Franks, Dr. W. B. A. Moore.

Military Staff Officers either with the G.O.C. or at the Cenotaph included Lt. C. W. P. Richardson (A.D.C.), Colonel R. B. Skinner, O.B.E. (Chief Engineer), Major W. F. Hanna, M.C. (General Staff Officer), Major J. F. Whitaker Allen, M.C. (D.A.A. & Q.M.G.), Captain E. H. L. Jacobs-Larkcom (Staff Captain), Colonel J. S. Bostock, C.B.E. (Senior Medical Officer), Lt.-Col. F. J. C. Wyatt, O.B.E. (Royal Engineers), Major T. J. R. Langmead, M.C. (Royal Army Service Corps), Lt.-Col. P. A. Cardew, (Royal Army Ordnance Corps), Lt.-Col. H. G. Ryley (Command Paymaster), Major F. Hogg (Command Veterinary Officer).

Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G., R.N. was at the saluting base, accompanied by Paym. Commr. H. Rogers, O.B.E. (Secretary) and other members of his staff.

Squadron-Leader C. E. H. C. Macpherson, R.A.F. (officer commanding the Royal Air Force base at Kai Tak) was also present.

MYSTERY FLIGHT.

SPANISH AIRMEN LOST AND FOUND.

ANXIETY REMOVED.

Madrid, Saturday. Considerable mystery prevails as to the whereabouts of the Spanish aeroplane "Jesus del Gran Poder."

A message from Basra says that there is no confirmation of the landing at Nasiriyah.

There is no further news here about the aeroplane.—Reuter.

Stage by Stage. Captain Jimenez and Captain Iglesias left Madrid on May 29 and there was a rumour that they were trying to cross the Atlantic.

Then it was understood that they were flying east, on a flight round the world, in a Breguet single-engine plane with a 600 h.p. Hispano-Suiza engine.

Subsequently it was reported that they had been forced to land at Nasiriyah, near Ur of the Chaldees; and a Madrid cable stated that the position was about 200 miles from Karachi.

After that came the news that this "landing" had not been confirmed and that no word had reached Madrid about it. The Basra cable clears up the mystery.

A Remote Spot. Basra, Saturday. It has been ascertained that the Spanish fliers descended at a remote spot near the Euphrates River.

To-day's air mail to Cairo intends to fly over the spot, it is reported.—Reuter.

Report Confirmed. Karachi, Saturday. The Air Force authorities at Bagdad confirm the report that the Spanish aviators have landed at Nasiriyah.—Reuter.

ANTI-WAR PACT.

CANADA WISHES TO BETRUE TO LEAGUE.

ACCEPTS INVITATION.

Washington, Saturday. The Canadian Government's reply to Mr. Kellogg's invitation to participate in the Anti-War Treaty states that it does not desire to enter any course which may prejudice its effectiveness in the League of Nations, but as the proposed Multilateral Treaty apparently does not conflict with the League Covenant the Government gladly accepts the invitation and will recommend its acceptance by Parliament.—Reuter's American Service.

FRENCH POLITICS.

RECENT MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Paris, June 2. M. Loucheur has been appointed Minister of Labour in place of M. Fallieres, who was defeated in the recent election.

A significant appointment, in view of the recent Autonomist trials, is that of M. Oberkirch, the Alsatian Deputy, as Under-Secretary of Labour.—Reuter.

STATE SCANDAL.

FURTHER ARRESTS IN MEXICO CITY.

SMUGGLING PLOT?

Mexico, Saturday. The arrest of Maria Conesa, an ex-actress and friend of General Alvarez and fifteen others charged with complicity in a smuggling plot marks the development of the State scandal mentioned recently.—Reuter's American Service.

AN "OCTOPUS."

THE WIRELESS, CABLE AND TELEPHONE MERGER.

New York, Saturday. A gigantic wireless, cable and telephone octopus, covering the western hemisphere is the forecast of the newspapers, which state that the International Telephone and Telegraph Company, which is involved in a merger are negotiating to acquire the Radio Corporation.

The latter's shares yesterday reached the record of 223 compared with the year's lowest at 85.—Reuter's American Service.

THE GREEK GOVERNMENT.

Athens, Saturday. The Chamber has adopted a motion of confidence in the Government by 188 votes to 67.—Reuter.

Kauai Island, Yesterday.—The "Southern Cross" has arrived here after a 100-mile journey from Honolulu. She will take off on her 8,000-mile stage to Suva tomorrow.—Reuter.

THE CINEMAS.

WHAT IS ON IN TOWN TO-DAY.

"STRANDED IN PARIS."

For the last time to-day the latest picture, "Stranded in Paris," of the brisk, lively star, Bebe Daniels, is being screened at the Queen's Theatre.

The story deals with one hilarious complication after another attending a young American girl stranded in Paris, without any money. However, in an amusing climax, all ends well in real "Bebe" style. James Hall plays hero, with Bebe opposite him, with other notable stars in close support in an excellent cast.

"The General." At the World Theatre, for final showings to-day, the poker face comedian Buster Keaton, is being screened in his latest production, "The General."

Weaved in the romantic 18th century, the story pictures the Civil War raging in America, and the crude methods of warfare. The amusing experiences of a young engine driver, his thickheadedness, and the rollicking complications that set in are well produced. In a thrilling climax, Buster with his usual dash and precision, escapes from the enemy to his own territory. The picture is quite up to the standard of his other productions.

"CAPTAIN SALVATION."

A Big Sea Drama Coming Here.

The famous Swedish actor, Lars Hanson, is cast as the leading player in "Captain Salvation," a thrilling picture which comes to the Queen's Theatre on Thursday next, according to a special advertisement in this issue. "Captain Salvation" is a vivid drama of the sea. Lars Hanson appears as a young student who forsakes his calling and turns to the sea where he figures in a great adventure, aboard a convict ship, culminating in a terrific fight 75 feet above the deck of the vessel. Pauline Starke portrays the role of a "scarlet" woman. A remarkable figure in the picture is Ernest Torrence, who plays the part of a fabled captain of the convict ship. Other notable players in the cast are Marceline Day, George Fawcett and Sam de Grasse. "Captain Salvation," which was taken from the brilliant novel by Frederick William Wallace, has been produced on a large scale with compelling realism.

SPANISH FLIGHT.

ENGINE FAILS IN AN ALEPPO DUST STORM.

RETURNING TO SPAIN.

Karachi, Yesterday. The Spanish airmen, Jimenez and Iglesias, intend to return to Spain. A heavy dust storm from Aleppo onward caused their engine to fail.—Reuter.

Rome, Yesterday.—The aviators Ferrarin and De Prete, on the aeroplane S84, have established new endurance and long distance records. They remained in the air for 57 hours and 37 minutes on a circular course between Torre Flavia and Anzio, which are 46 miles apart.—Reuter.

Le Bourget, Yesterday.—The airmen Arrachard and Brignot have left here in the direction of India in an attempt on the record non-stop flight.—Reuter.

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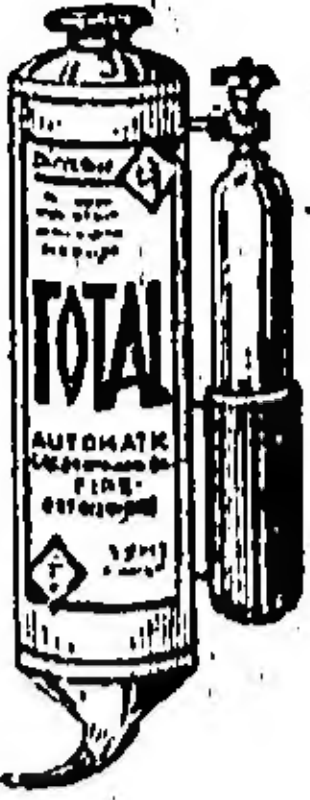
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LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Viscount Lymington, son of the Earl of Portsmouth, has been adopted as prospective Conservative candidate for Basingstoke.

An aquatint, in colours, of the "Action between H.M.S. Endymion and the U.S. ship President," by Hill, realised £150 at Messrs. Sotheby's.

Poplar Borough Council is applying to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to raise a loan of £167,000 to equip a new electricity station.

Fred Bryant, the 17-years-old boy, of 97, The Ridgway, Enfield, who climbed a pole supporting a high-tension cable and received a shock from a 10,000-volts current, subsequently died.

Mr. Thomas Wall, of Blythwood, Worcester-road, Sutton, Surrey, who has already given £20,000 to the London and Greater London Playing Fields Association, has contributed a further £4,000.

Mr. J. Bryce Allan, of Wemyss Bay, Renfrewshire, son of the chief proprietor of the Allan Steamship Lines, was married at the Scots Church in Paris to the Countess de Cippico, a survivor of the Lusitania disaster.

The Australian Customs revenue for April amounted to £2,854,000, as compared with £2,407,000 last year. For the first ten months of the financial year the Customs revenue amounted to £25,237,000, compared with £26,785,000 for the same period last year.

Among the passengers on the "Tunda" when she sailed from Hong Kong on Friday were Mrs. J. Garraway for Townsville, Mrs. W. J. Stokes, Mrs. F. W. Maze and Mrs. H. E. Scriven for Sydney, Mr. E. A. Donnelly and Mrs. E. R. Wardle for Melbourne.

At Seville the Queen of Spain christened the aeroplane "Jesus Del Gran Poder," in which the airman Captain Jimenez and Captain "Iglesias" are attempting to tour the world. Her Majesty broke a bottle of sherry over the machine. The Archbishop of Seville officiated at the ceremony.

Lord Merivale, after spending two hours and a half in the Divorce Court in disposing of applications on summons in private, made absolute decrees nisi in 117 cases, two of them proceeding from the district registries. Mr. Justice Hill, in another court, was dealing with 30 undefended matrimonial suits, and Mr. Justice Bateson with 22.

Rain was recorded at the Botanic Gardens on twenty days last month, the total fall being 9.13 inches. One inch a day was exceeded on the 14th 2.34 inches, 24th 1.13 inches, 25th 1.79 inches, 29th 3.94 inches, 30th 2.33 inches, 31st 2.14 inches. No rain fell on seven consecutive days, 2nd to 8th. Rain was recorded on eight consecutive days, 14th to 21st.

Miss Margaret Bannerman and Mr. Anthony Prinsep were married in Melbourne last month. A large crowd attended the wedding, and among the guests were Dame Nellie Melba and Sir George Tallis, the theatrical proprietor, while congratulatory telegrams were received from Sir Arthur Pinero, Mrs. Fred Terry (Miss Julia Nelson) and Mr. Temple Thurston. Miss Bannerman is paying her first visit to Australia, where she is appearing in a repertoire under her husband's management.

Mrs. F. E. Ching, the widow of a Grimsby Wesleyan minister, the first woman to perform a marriage ceremony in a Wesleyan church, was an official at the Wesleyan headquarters stated, acting quite legally. "The event is unique so far as the Wesleyan Methodist connection is concerned," the official stated. "Wives of ministers of other denominations may possibly have performed marriage ceremonies during the war while their husbands were on service, but not in our church. The law certainly permits it. Providing that either the registrar or another authorised person such as a minister is present, the law does not mind who performs the religious ceremony. It must be witnessed and registered by the authorised person. In this particular case I suppose there must have been some special sentimental reason for the departure from our rule. We naturally hold the marriage service in very high regard, and prefer that a minister shall officiate at all wedding ceremonies." Mrs. Ching, who lives at Saltburn, said she had conducted several baptisms and funerals. She is a lay preacher by examination.

A lecture on "Islam is the religion of peace" will be delivered at the City Hall at 5.15 p.m. to-day by Maulana L. Haidari.

The police at San Sebastien have arrested a Russian Jew and a Hungarian on a charge of stealing jewellery and money from visitors.

Mr. Hugh A. Nisbet, Registrar of the Supreme Court, is to leave the Colony on retirement on June 23 by the P. & O. liner s.s. "Ranpura."

Passengers who landed at Hong Kong from the "President Van Buren" included Mr. A. A. de Eca, Mrs. L. E. Nantz, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. da Silva.

The Custom House at Kovno has been partially destroyed by fire and a large quantity of goods stored in the warehouses burnt. The loss is said to be very heavy.

A special sale during the month of June is being held by the Bible Book and Tract Depot, No. 2, Wyndham-street, to which all are cordially invited.



Commander James Fitzmaurice, of Ireland, who with Captain Koehl and Baron von Huenefeld, the Germans, made the first east to west Atlantic flight.

Mr. Sean O'Casey, the Irish dramatist, and author of "Juno and the Paycock," has become a father. A son was born last month to his pretty young wife, who was Miss Eileen Katherine Carey, the actress.

Among the passengers who sailed from Hong Kong on Saturday on the "Hakusan Maru" were Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Churn and Miss M. C. Churn, Consul and Mrs. F. Ikeda, Mrs. B. and Miss B. J. Spaulding, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Taylor, Mrs. and the Misses R. and M. Holdsworth, Mr. E. R. Price, the Rev. N. B. Slaton, the Rev. W. Short.

The Prince of Wales, who is president of the King Edward VII. Hospital, Windsor, one wing of which was destroyed by a fire, visited the ruins to see for himself the extent of the damage. Among the things which impressed the Prince about the building was the large amount of woodwork used in its construction, and he told Colonel Churcher, the secretary, they must take care to use fireproof materials when they rebuild.

The House of Commons last month discussed a Bill introduced by Mr. Gerald Harrison, Mr. Bridgeman's Parliamentary Private Secretary, which provides for a half-day holiday for school-children on Empire Day, May 24. Mr. Harrison said he wanted to give the children a real joy on Empire Day, and not a pretended joy. Mr. Maxton, a schoolmaster, said this was a fraudulent measure. "They are only going to give the children half a day which will have to be taken from some other holiday, because there are not enough days to play with in the year if the schools are to get their grants. This is a miserable way of interpreting the greatness of the British Empire." Mr. Tinker, from the Labour benches, urged his friends not to press the rejection, but suggested a whole day's holiday should be given. Major Owen quoted a Welsh proverb which, translated, said, "Despicable is the man who does not love his mother country."

Jewellery valued at £300 was taken by burglars who broke into the jeweller's shop of Mr. John Veller, Duke-street, Brighton.

Hundreds of tyres were destroyed by a fire in the basement of the premises of the Goswell Tyre Company, Ltd., Goswell-road, Clerkenwell, E.C.

London's new £230,000 air terminus at Croydon was brought into operation last month and officially opened by Lady Maud Hoare, wife of the Air Minister.

The Metropolitan Electric Tramways, Ltd., which recently raised fares, is reverting to the old scale, pending the sanctioning of increased fares by the Middlesex County Council.

A packet of diamonds valued at £12,000 half a ton of gold, and 500-day old chickens were included in the cargo of an aeroplane which flew from London to Paris one day last month.

A Barcelona banker has disappeared with 2,000,000 pesetas (about £68,965) belonging to farmers in the Matara district, who export large quantities of potatoes to Great Britain.

A sum of £1,644,000 has been voted by the Japanese Houses of Parliament for the coronation expenses of the Emperor Hirohito, who is to be crowned in Kyoto, the old capital, in November.

The body of William Hillman, a commercial traveller, aged about 50 of St. George's-road, Aldershot, who had been shot through the heart, was found by a policeman in the Albert-mews, Kensington, W., with a Service revolver near.

Three Chinese cases of notifiable disease were reported locally on Friday. From the city registration district there was one case of small-pox and one of enteric fever (typhoid). There was another small-pox case from Kowloon.

The King and Queen of Afghanistan received representatives of the Polish Army at Warsaw. The King was presented with an aeroplane of Polish construction. Afterwards a luncheon party was given in honour of the King and Queen by M. Zaleski, the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Among the applicants who sought the advice of Mr. F. Mead, at Lambeth Police Court, was a woman, who asked for a summons against her husband, saying she wanted a separation on the ground of his persistent cruelty. "He comes into the house and never opens his lips to me," she said. Mr. Mead—That is not cruelty recognised by the Act. Is he a sober man?—The Woman: Oh, no; he is always drunk. Mr. Mead—Then you can have a summons on that ground.

The Chinese press says that numerous British, American and French journalists have called upon Miss Soumi Cheng (who is in Paris) to obtain a fuller understanding of the China situation and the Nationalist movement. Miss Cheng took pains to explain to them the organization of the Nationalist Government, its ideals and aspirations, and to answer all questions asked. She called upon the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, who received her cordially and with much courtesy. It is hoped that her visit to France will contribute a great deal towards creating closer sisterly relations between the two republics, say the reports in conclusion.

As Princess Juliana becomes nineteen years old to-day (says a London gossip writer in a paper to hand), and is heiress to the throne of the Netherlands, it is not surprising that there should be rumours of her engagement, though no serious attention had been given to the particular report of a betrothal to the Duke of Gloucester. It is difficult to imagine any of the King's sons leaving England to take up the position of Prince Consort. Princess Juliana is in some ways a very modern Princess, and the shattering of so much European monarchy by the war has not gone unnoticed by this keen student of contemporary affairs. She took her law studies quite seriously, and confided to a friend that she thought it as well to be equipped for a profession. It is extremely unlikely, however, that we shall see this Orange Princess engaged in any but her hereditary occupation. "You don't have revolutions," an Amsterdam citizen once said to me, "in a country where anybody can see the Queen sitting, sewing at her window."

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pair spearing tired. Few spectators remained by the time the match was finished.—"Shanghai Times."

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GRAVE ALLEGATION DISPROVED.

MONS LIBEL SUIT.

London, May 2.

The hearing of the libel action which General Sir Arthur Currie brought against the "Port Hope Guide" for alleging that he was responsible for wanton loss of life in ordering the capture of Mons on the morning of Armistice Day concluded yesterday. Sir Arthur Currie claimed \$100,000 damages. He was awarded \$100 (\$500).

The judge awarded plaintiff costs, thus saddling the defence with a bill approaching \$15,000. Mr. George Munsey was the sole dissenting juror. The jury were absent for three hours forty-three minutes.

Sir Arthur Currie declared that he had brought the action, not for the sake of any monetary damages, but to vindicate his record and to stop the scandalous stories which had been current for years, and which had culminated in the article in the "Port Hope Guide."

The trial created enormous interest in Canada. Sir Arthur Currie commanded the Canadian Army Corps in the Great War, and is now Principal of McGill University.

Story of Case.

Montreal, May 1.

General Sir Arthur Currie has been vindicated.

The jury to-day found for the plaintiff, awarding him \$500 damages and costs.

Great interest was taken in the trial in Canada. It was a very costly one. Counsel's fees absorbed \$44,000, while the witnesses' expenses came to \$5,500, and those of the jurors to \$1,750.

For some years there have been rumours and insinuations against the man who led the Canadian forces to victory, accepted in some cases by the mothers, wives, and sisters of men who fell in the field, and who themselves would probably have been the first to refute such allegations against their commander. An editorial written by Mr. Preston, published in a small Ontario paper, the "Port Hope Evening Guide," on the occasion of the unveiling of a plaque at Mons last August, brought these insinuations to a head. It asserted that Sir Arthur Currie had led the Canadian forces to Mons and—timed the final fight there for his own glorification, although the order for the cessation of hostilities at a given time on Nov. 11 had been issued.

Sir Arthur Currie had disregarded these stories, to which publicity was first given in a debate in the Canadian House of Commons several years ago, when the late Sir Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia when the war broke out, made charges against General Currie. But in view of the fact that Sir Sam Hughes had been relieved of his office during the war, the debate was regarded by the public generally as a political attack. It did not deter McGill University from appointing Sir A. Currie its Principal.

During the trial Canada's leading figures in military life have appeared and supported the former General Officer Commanding the Expeditionary Force. The chief factors in the evidence were the time when the Armistice was notified or the notification reached Sir A. Currie, and whether fighting took place after he knew of the order. It was shown that he received communication of the Armistice at 6.45 a.m. on Nov. 11, when in his bath. Sir Arthur Currie himself said his instructions under those conditions were to keep on the track of the enemy and generally to push forward, possibly beyond Mons, in order to keep pace with the flanking Imperial troops. General Currie asserted that only one man was sniped after that hour.

One point raised was regarding a despatch which included casualties spread over three days, which had been regarded as applying only to the last day.

Senior Officers' Evidence.

The most striking fact in the

trial is that all the senior officers of the first rank have stood by Sir A. Currie, including Major-General MacBrien, until lately Chief of Staff. They testified to his ability and his reputation for keen judgment in a crisis. General Turner and Sir A. Currie, it may be noted, were both in the running for the command of the Canadian Expeditionary Force when General Byng relinquished it.

The trial throughout has been marked by various interruptions and "scenes," resulting in orders from the bench, notably when Colonel Jack Currie, resisting the order of the Court, was forcibly ejected. The allegations of the late Sir Sam Hughes regarding the confusion of the two Curries, when Colonel Jack Currie was blamed for being found in a dug-out, are matters of history, but nothing has transpired in this trial to corroborate such allegations.

Mr. Preston is an elderly Canadian who has held various posts both here and in Europe. He started political life in the Liberal party in 1878, and was in the thick of politics for twenty years. He then had fifteen years abroad in various official capacities. His efforts to re-enter politics after the war were unsuccessful, whereupon he settled at his old home, Port Hope, to write his reminiscences.

IN NORTH CHINA.

RECORD TEMPERATURE IN TIENTSIN.

Peking, May 29.

The Peking area is threatened with a drought unless it rains soon. On May 28 the thermometer began a rapid rise from the spring level to summer heat and for four days it has been hovering around 100 degrees.

Tientsin registered 108 yesterday. This is believed to be a record for May.

The crops in Chihli are suffering badly. Even if it does rain soon, the losses will be severe.—"N. C. Daily News."

NEW SUMMER DRESSES.

A shipment of hand-embroidered voile frocks in dainty shades has just been unpacked by Au Petit Louvre. This fashion centre in Kowloon is always well worth visiting for something chic and dainty and for courteous attention. Other shipments of voile and other frocks and summer dresses will be arriving every fortnight. In addition, a fine variety of picturesque straw hats and flowers has also just arrived.

WHY MALARIA RECURS.

Once the spores of the Malaria parasite have become established in the blood something more efficacious than quinine—which at best is purely a palliative—is necessary to eliminate them. Unless these spores are completely exterminated they will remain dormant for varying intervals of time, only to break into renewed activity whenever the vitality is lowered by chills, change of temperature, debility, or other causes. Then the victim experiences another bout of this distressing disease.

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LAW CLERKS.

WHAT BARRISTERS OWE TO THEM.

PROBLEM OF CHOICE.

London, May 2.

The United Law Clerks' Society held their festive dinner at the Holborn Restaurant on Monday night. The company numbered about 400. Mr. Justice Wright presided, and seated at the head table were Mr. Justice Finlay, Mr. Justice Humphreys, Judge Woodcock, and Judge Moore.

Proposing the toast of the evening, the Chairman said the organization had been established in 1882. Their investments now amounted to \$150,000, and the income was about \$12,000. All would agree that in these days, when human responsibility was liable to be overshadowed by State aid, they should cherish the feelings which caused men to contribute to a society like this. Their members consisted of barristers' clerks, solicitors' clerks, and clerks in legal offices and departments. He hesitated to say how much barristers were indebted to their clerks. (Laughter.) Some, it might be, thought they owed them too much, but he would be sorry to say that. When he was at the Bar one of his seniors said to him that one could not be too careful about choosing a clerk; choosing a wife was of minor importance. (Laughter.) It was said to be possible to release oneself from a wife, but from a clerk—never. (Laughter.) When at the Bar he was often brought into relation with solicitors' clerks, and their knowledge of the law, honour, and industry never failed to command his admiration.

Mr. Harry Ellis Stapley, the hon. treasurer, responding, stated that last year 68 new members were enrolled. The expenditure in benefits and grants was nearly \$7,000, and they added \$3,000 to their invested funds.

Mr. Justice Finlay proposed the health of the chairman, who briefly responded.

Mr. Justice Humphreys, proposing "Our Guests," and coupling with it the name of Mr. Wilfrid Greene, K.C., a leader of the Equity Bar, said the Court of Equity seemed to live on their imagination; they had all sorts of fictions. If the law would not allow one to have any remedy of any sort, one applied to the Court of Equity for what was called equitable relief, and, as far as he could make out, equitable relief was something like the much advertised pills—it was guaranteed to relieve when everything else failed. (Laughter.)

Mr. Wilfrid Greene, K.C., responded.

A LONG WAY TO GO.

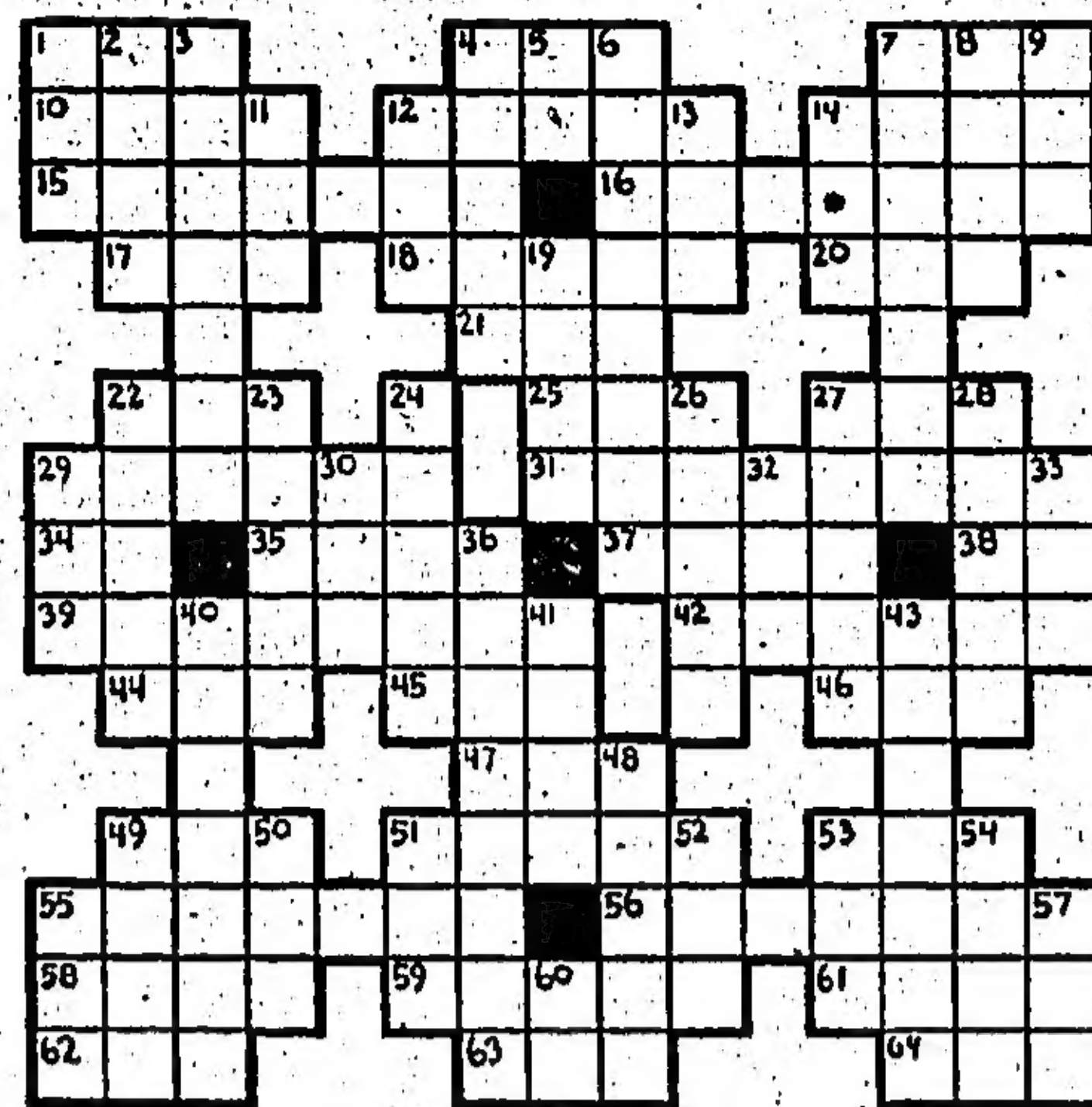
A reader with a taste for arithmetic has been working out the distance of Nova Pictors from the earth, supposing the light from that star to take 500 years to reach us. Taking the velocity of light as 186,772 miles per second, he reaches the figure of 3,047,220,658,600,000 miles. I am afraid I have not time to check this calculation; but, at any rate, it is quite a long way—so long, indeed, that human imagination fails and figures cease to have any real meaning.

I am asked how one would write this down in words, since there seems to be a difference of opinion concerning what constitutes a billion or a trillion. It is, indeed, regrettable that there is a diversity of opinion in this matter, but an English billion is a million million and a trillion a million billion. In France and the United States a billion is a thousand million, a trillion a thousand billion, and so on, and this necessarily leads to confusion. Happily we do not often need to use these words in ordinary life, even when dealing with post-war taxation.—Peter Simple in "London Morning Post."

Five more students have been expelled by the Council of the University of Havana for having participated in the recent riots which resulted in the closing of the University and the placing of troops and police on the Campus. The total number of students who have been expelled is now over fifty.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and alcho.)



HORIZONTAL

1—The course of the waves

4—Head covering

7—To proclaim

10—A forearm bone

12—More courageous

14—Personal pronoun

16—A cape, E. coast of Greece

18—The Magi

19—French for "sea"

20—A shore-bird

21—"I love" (Latin)

22—A person considered indefinitely

23—A constellation

27—Combining form. Al

29—An ecstasy

31—A son of Joseph (Bible)

34—Personal pronoun

35—Swells

37—Cut off

38—Roman number

39—A French satirical writer

42—A female disciple at Joppa who was "full of good works"

44—Prefix. Through

45—A hedgerow (Prov. Eng.)

43—To render smooth and pleasing

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

47—A short sleep

49—Station (abbr.)

51—To provoke

52—The Greek long E

55—A bearing around a shield (Her.)

56—The birthplace of Jean of Arc

58—Extent of surface

59—To attempt

61—A Great Lake

62—A color

63—A snake-like fish

64—Lace

65—A Russian naval station on the Baltic

66—Norse god whose name is given to Tuesday

68—A depression between two mountains

69—Prefix. From

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VERTICAL (Cont.)

22—A mountain nymph

23—Combining form. Nine

24—To prohibit

25—The opposite of "cathode"

26—Combining form. Star

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INTERPORT CRICKET.

HOW HONG KONG
LOST.

THE 29TH TEST.

Below is given a full account of the Interport cricket match between Hong Kong and Shanghai, played at Shanghai. The Colony's team was handsomely defeated, as briefly reported in the daily newspapers. Acknowledgment is made to the "North China Daily News" for this interesting description of the game.

FIRST DAY.

Interesting Position
Reached.

Shanghai, May 28.
In a week-end of sensational sport, the cricketers of Shanghai and Hong Kong contributed their quota in no small measure—not because of any superlative quality of the cricket but because of the keenness, the good fellowship, team work and for all that cricket has done to teach the world to play the game. Whatever the Fates may hold in store for today, and possibly to-morrow, the events of Saturday's opening play were of such a nature as to cause the balance of the 29th test now in progress to be anticipated with the utmost curiosity. How the renewal of the struggle to-day will end is more than men can say. The situation in a nutshell is that Shanghai, batting first on a wicket that Friday's rain had greased to a state of fierceness in patches, were all dismissed in the space of 164 minutes for the modest score of 129, in response to which, Hong Kong batted for 162 minutes to record a total of 108 runs for the loss of eight wickets. Barrett's Decision 50 Bat First.

The state of the wicket tempted Barrett to consider the policy of sending the visitors in first and the circumstances would, perhaps, have tempted other men to adopt such a policy, with the risk justified by things that happened. He decided, however, to bat first for the "bite" of the greased top-dressing was not so bad as its "bark" and for the complete collapse that followed, the players have only themselves to blame. Lench and Divecha opened quite confidently when facing Erskine, at the top-end, and Musson, but runs were difficult against bowling that had the command of good length and fielding that was keenness personified, so that the 10 appeared only after 18 minutes' play, the outcome of Lench's monopoly of the bowling and the first boundary of the game off a full toss from Erskine. Divecha, playing well to instruction, opened his account with a trio when 16 runs had been recorded, but with two runs added the Parsee cricketer played too late at a really good ball and Jex brought off a very smart catch at the wickets.

Lieut. Melsome filled the breach only to see Lench depart with no addition to the score, Erskine bringing off a meritorious one-handed catch to a ball that rose to the middle of the pitch off a half-cock shot from a bumping ball. Stokes signalled his advent to the crease with a neat glance to the leg boundary and just as things were shaping well, the astuteness of Hancock revealed itself, Reynolds relieving Erskine at the top-end and getting Melsome caught at the wicket with his second ball. This was an amazing catch by Jex off a mis-hit to a ball that should have found a refuge among the spectators on the leg boundary.

Keeping the Batsmen Guessing.
The association of Barrett and Stokes promised well, for the half-century appeared through the medium of a delightful straight drive to the boundary off Reynolds by Shanghai's captain, who, realising his responsibility, was at great pains to play himself in. With the score at 53, the Rev. E. K. Quick relieved Musson at the pavilion-end, and it is not without interest to record that at this stage Musson had bowled for a spell of 65 minutes, his analysis bearing the figures of 11 overs, 3 maidens, 23 runs, 1 wicket. Quick, with three men in the country, kept the batsmen guessing with his tantalising slows, and the rate of scoring therefore was not increased, but Stokes brought the 60 up with a beautiful hit to the leg boundary off Reynolds, who gave way to Erskine's re-introduction nine runs later, and the change had the desired effect, for Barrett, after putting one of the many bad spots in the wicket tried to turn the next ball to leg. The ball, striking another greasy patch, rose more sharply than anticipated, and, hitting the edge of the bat, presented Jex with an easy catch.

Quayle helped to put on 12 runs before the lunch interval, but there were anxious moments during this accomplishment: Quayle being all but bowled by Quick and then a foolish call almost resulted in Stokes being run out. When play was resumed at 2 o'clock, Stokes brought 90 up on the board with a single to leg off Erskine's 4th ball and the same player

when facing Musson at the pavilion-end, gained renewed applause for a vigorous pull to the leg boundary, but the joy of the home supporters was short lived, for, with one run added, Stokes paid the penalty of putting his legs in front of a ball that well invited, and received, the appeal of L. W. Stokes, who had batted for 92 minutes, fully justified the confidence reposed in him and his display, which included five 4's, encourages the belief that he has found his best form.

Dr. O'Hara's Innings.

After he left, Palmer emulated Barrett to present Jex with his fourth victim of the afternoon—a shot that neither batsman is likely to repeat—and after Quayle had caused the 100 to be hoisted when play had been in progress 132 minutes, a brilliant catch at first slip brought about his dismissal with the total undisturbed. The Hong Kong skipper was responsible for another superb catch when Freshwater left at 113, and Isaacs was caught off a full toss.

With Barnes and Dr. O'Hara associated in the last-wicket partnership, 129 appeared by means of the only concession by Jex—four byes that could not be avoided from Musson's wide delivery to leg, and which should have been converted into another boundary to increase the Doctor's meritorious score—but the end came with a brilliant piece of fielding by Erskine which resulted in Barnes being run out.

The Hong Kong Innings.

The wicket was somewhat easier when Hong Kong commenced their venture at 3.10, and the start was full of hope, Hayward and Fincher settling down in excellent style to the bowling of Isaacs (pavilion-end) and Freshwater. The 10 appeared in five minutes, and 19 minutes later the 20 was obtained by Fincher's straight drive to the pavilion off Isaacs. Then, with five runs added, Fincher was bowled and Quick, who helped Hayward to add 13 runs, was out to a ball that would have struck his off stump, at least that is how it appeared to the umpire. Meanwhile, Hayward had been batting with much restraint and excellent judgment, particularly against O'Hara, who displaced Freshwater at 34, and when Reynolds appeared on the scene, the new comer showed his appreciation of yet another long hop from Isaacs that promptly was despatched to the tapes. His enthusiasm for a similar shot resulted in disaster, Freshwater accepting a catch at deep point that was highly meritorious, in face of a glaring sun, and the tea interval was taken immediately after Musson had brought the 50 up at 4.16. Isaacs bowled his 14th consecutive over when play recommenced and the first two balls nearly brought about the downfall of Hayward.

Lench was introduced with the score reading 62, and although the position called for enterprise on the part of the batsmen, it was not forthcoming and runs came at a snail's pace. Musson left at 71—a simple return to the bowler—and the perseverance of O'Hara, coupled with the judgment of Barrett, claimed its reward with the score reading 75. Hayward's masterly innings, which had occupied 116 minutes, undoubtedly saved the day for the visitors, and his skill was duly appreciated by a packed pavilion. After his departure, Owen-Hughes made two delightful off-drives before Palmer atoned for a previous mistake in the slips—a difficult one admittedly—and Ramsey left at 94 through mistiming one that was slower from Lench. It was appropriate that Hancock should bring the 100 up at 5.50 and Barrett's inspiration brought about the dismissal of Sayer with the last ball of the day.

A Unique Bowling Feat.

Of all the features of the day's cricket, none excelled the performance of Dr. O'Hara, who bowled for 135 minutes, unchanged, and without a man in the outfield, the latter feature being probably unique in Shanghai or any other cricket.

His figures speak for themselves and it is not without interest to record that seven of the 14 maidens were bowled in succession.

SECOND DAY.

How Shanghai Recovered.

May 29.
Looked forward to with extraordinary interest the second day's play in the Interport cricket match between Shanghai and Hong Kong underwent some truly dramatic changes. As already known, the close of Saturday's play found honours even, Shanghai being dismissed for 129, and Hong Kong finishing up the day with 108 for 8 wickets. The sensations of yesterday's cricket commenced with the association of Hancock and Erskine and, as a result, Hong Kong gained the lead of 57 runs on the first innings.

Shanghai commenced their second venture under conditions that invited runs but half the side were out for 123, and this was the anxious position when O'Hara's

ed-Lench in a stand that never will be forgotten and which produced 119 runs in exactly 100 minutes. The manner of the dismissal of both batsmen furnished further sensations and after they left the end soon came with the total of 279. Fifteen minutes remained for the task of obtaining the 223 runs required for victory and of this number they scored 18 without being separated before stumps were drawn for the day.

Thus the play to-day, which commenced at 11 a.m. is fraught with tremendous possibilities and the question remains, can Hong Kong, with all their wickets intact, obtain the 210 runs required? Erskine's enterprise brought about the turn of yesterday morning's tide in favour of Hong Kong, a six, 6 fours and 5 twos being included in a very sporting innings during which, however, he was the favourite of fortune on no fewer than four occasions. For sheer merit, the innings of Hancock stood alone, giving no chance during a stay of 100 minutes at the wickets and scoring 4 fours in a memorable piece of work that received due recognition from the large concourse of spectators.

A Fine Partnership.
Divecha was out to an unfortunate misunderstanding, but it was his own fault and Melsome seemed quite at home until he chopped a ball a foot outside the off stump on to his wicket. The luncheon interval proved disastrous to Stokes, but it was a particularly good ball from Reynolds that disturbed the off peg and Quayle also was quite at ease before Erskine contrived to send one down that came in appreciably from leg. The manner of Barrett's dismissal was another misfortune for Shanghai—a ball that was quite a yard wide of the leg stump striking him on the left to cannon on to the wicket, and it was then that Dr. O'Hara joined Lench in the partnership that has made further history in the annals of Interport cricket.

For 119 minutes they defied all and when Lench left with the score reading 248, his own share was a masterly 80 that included 7 fours, a three and 9 twos. Without a single blemish, it must be regarded as one of the finest innings of Lench's career. The Doctor left 20 runs later—out to another fine catch by Hancock at first slip—and it was indeed a tragic happening seeing that he required only 4 more runs to complete his century. Nevertheless the tremendous cheering that greeted him upon his return to the pavilion was in sincere appreciation of a magnificent effort at a critical time, the visitors joining in the applause for a display that included 10 fours, 3 threes and 9 twos. No one else offered any resistance to the bowling of Erskine, who once again came out with splendid figures—and deserved them—and the final minutes of the day's play were consistent with the sensations previously furnished, Fincher being almost bowled upon two occasions and Hayward narrowly averting a similar disaster when facing Freshwater.

THIRD DAY.

Hong Kong's Defence Broken.

May 30.
All preconceived ideas of an interesting finish to the Interport cricket match received a rude shock, for a little more than two hours' play yesterday sufficed to bring about the dismissal of the visiting team from Hong Kong for the meagre score of 102, Shanghai thus gaining a comfortable, and well deserved, victory by 120 runs. For this startling collapse, the wicket—quite the worst for many years—was in some measure to blame, but the fact remains, and will not be disputed, that Lieut. Melsome and Sgt. Freshwater bowled in their best form, and their most opportune efforts, from a Shanghai point of view, received most able support from fieldmen that were keenly alive to the situation, and a wicket-keeper who lived up to his reputation. In view of this late introduction of Lieut. Melsome into the attack, it is of great interest to note that for two seasons before coming to Shanghai he bowled for Gloucestershire, and is understood to have accounted twice for no less a player than Hobbs at very small cost.

The Initial Overtake.
Glorious weather again prevailed when Hayward and Fincher, the overnight not-outs, resumed their innings shortly after 11 o'clock, and although Isaacs bowled a maiden to Fincher, it was quite obvious that the nature of the day's fresh breeze did not suit the left-hander from the pavilion end. Despite this, however, runs were always hard to obtain and with the batsmen exercising every restraint, 15 minutes elapsed before Hayward brought 20 on the board by means of a quick off Freshwater that escaped the vigilance of three slips. Fincher also had his anxious moments when facing the fast bowler, but two glorious shots through the covers off Isaacs brought 40 up and when Hayward followed with a similar and

equally delightful shot off the left-hander, Melsome was introduced at the pavilion-end.
The Beginning of the End.
Barrett's scheming did not rest at this for Dr. O'Hara was given the ball at the top-end four runs later, and this marked the beginning of the end. At 48, Hayward was bowled with a ball that swung from leg and then turned in just enough to beat the bat. Hayward's value as an opening batsman once again was amply demonstrated and although not so convincing as in his first innings, he may console himself in the fact that a sign of relief, not forgetting a round of applause, followed his footsteps to the pavilion.

More Disaster.
Fincher was then joined by Quick but with two runs added he lashed out to another of Melsome's slows that swung more than usual and Freshwater eagerly snapped up an easy catch at deep point. Further disaster was to follow, for, with no addition, Reynolds could not resist the temptation of having a bang at Melsome and Barnes smartly had the balls off before the new comer could regain his senses. For Reynolds' impetuosity at such a stage of his innings, and the game, there is only one judgment, but the verdict was supplied himself upon his return to the pavilion. For Barnes—full marks.

It is not without interest to record that at this juncture of the innings, Melsome's figures read, 4.2 overs, 3 maidens, 4 runs and 3 wickets, and in his sixth over Musson fell a victim to the agility and skill of Barnes to snap up a snick from another swinger that really should have been left entirely alone. With only 54 runs on the board, this was a sorry state of affairs but Owen-Hughes arrived on the scene to appreciate the idea of playing well forward to Melsome, and from the second ball he received "turned" it nicely to the square leg boundary. Then the 60 was indicated by means of four byes—a valiant but unsuccessful effort by Barnes to stop a "shooter" from the Doctor—and when Owen-Hughes essayed two classic drives through the covers there was a re-shuffling in the field to such good purpose that Fincher was almost caught in an effort to drive Melsome to the pavilion-end tapes. The 70 was signalled at 12.30 and then, with four runs added, Fincher's stubborn defence was penetrated by O'Hara with the first ball of the bowler's 11th over, figures which included six maidens and realising, only seven runs. Fincher's splendid innings cannot be gauged by mere figures. He occupied the wickets for 105 minutes—sufficient testimony to his watchfulness—and although beaten upon several occasions not a single chance could be urged against him. He had four 4's in his meritorious display, and it was unfortunate for his side that he was a victim of a ball that would have defeated most batsmen.

Ramsey and Hancock Dismissed.
Ramsay, then, joined Owen-Hughes, who brought the 80 up with a neat glance off the Doctor to the leg boundary, and then Barrett decided to re-introduce Freshwater at the top-end vice O'Hara. That the change met with the desired effect can be illustrated by recording that Ramsay was missed off the first ball from the fast bowler—the only mistake of the innings—but it proved an inexpensive let-off for, after Ramsay had collected a brace at the soldier's expense, the fourth ball of the over saw Ramsay endeavour to turn one to leg. It was a sorry shot at a good length ball and Barnes made no mistake with the "dolly" catch at the wickets. The score then read 88, and with Hancock appearing on the scene, something was expected. No one, however, was quite prepared to see the first ball he received rise sharply off one of the bad spots to hit the shoulder of his bat and present Stokes with a high catch at silly point. It was with mixed feelings of regret that Hancock, a real friend of all-lovers of cricket, should have been another victim to the vagaries of a pitch that behaved in a shocking manner from the commencement. Sayer came in with the score reading 88, but no liberties were taken before lunch except with the very seldom loose one, and when Isaacs was entrusted with the last over before the interval, only a single accrued as a result of Owen-Hughes' glance to leg off the left-hander.

The Final Spasm.

When play was resumed at 2.04 p.m., the 100 appeared through another sound stroke to the off boundary by Owen-Hughes but with two runs added Sayer urged one into the safe hands of Divecha at mid-off, and Erskine failed to survive his first ball, being much too late at what appeared to be a yorker. Realising no doubt the impossibility of the situation, Owen-Hughes lashed out to a half-volley from Melsome, and Stokes was not found wanting at cover to bring about the closure at 2.11 p.m.

utes past 2 o'clock, leaving Jex still in possession.

The scenes at the finish were characteristic of an interport match, but business prevented a larger crowd from paying respects to victors and vanquished, who are now 14 all in the series of 29 matches—one being left drawn. It is also noteworthy that this is Shanghai's first victory on local soil since 1922.

Messrs. J. Cameron and N. F. Meyers, as Umpires, were entitled to the compliments that were paid to them and the visitors were the first in this direction.

Full Scores.
1st Innings—Shanghai.
D. W. Leach, c and b Erskine 15
M. J. Divecha, c Jex, b Musson 5
Lieut. Melsome, c Jex, b Reynolds 1
L. F. Stokes, lb.w., b Musson 37
Capt. E. I. M. Barrett, c Jex, b Erskine 1
J. A. Quayle, c Hancock, b Erskine 1
W. E. Palmer, c Jex, b Erskine 12
Dr. W. E. O'Hara, not out 19
Sgt. Freshwater, c Hancock, b Musson 7
J. A. Isaacs, c Hayward, b Musson 0
E. G. Barnes, run out 0
Byes—4; Leg-byes—1; Wides—1

Total 129
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Capt. J. Erskine 22 8 36 4
Lieut. A. H. Musson 19.5 5 42 4
Capt. J. R. Reynolds 7 2 22 1
Rev. E. K. Quick 9 1 23 0
Fall of Wickets.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

20 20 33 75 94 97 99 112 120 129
Erskine bowled 1 wide.
2nd Innings—Shanghai.
Lieut. Melsome, b Reynolds 19
M. J. Divecha, run out 7
L. F. Stokes, b Reynolds 8
D. W. Leach, c Musson, b Erskine 80
J. A. Quayle, b Erskine 24
Capt. E. I. M. Barrett, b Quick 20
Dr. W. E. O'Hara, c Hancock, b Musson 96
W. E. Palmer, b Erskine 0
Sgt. Freshwater, c Hayward, b Erskine 11
E. G. Barnes, not out 1
J. A. Isaacs, c Hayward, b Erskine 0
Byes—9; Leg-byes—3; Wides—2; No-balls—2

Total 279
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Capt. J. Erskine 27.2 2 87 6
Lieut. A. H. Musson 22 1 77 1
Capt. J. R. Reynolds 15 3 35 2
Rev. E. K. Quick 15 3 37 1
H. Owen-Hughes 5 0 25 0
Erskine bowled 2 no-balls and 1 wide.
Reynolds bowled 1 wide.
Fall of Wickets.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

19 35 36 82 129 248 248 275 279
1st Innings—Hong Kong.
A. W. Hayward, c and b O'Hara 42
E. C. Fincher, b Isaacs 8
Rev. E. K. Quick, lb.w., b O'Hara 4
Capt. J. R. Reynolds, c Freshwater, b Isaacs 4
Lieut. A. H. Musson, c and b Lench 11
H. Owen-Hughes, c Palmer, b O'Hara 11
A. W. Ramsay, b Leach 32
H. R. E. Hancock, b Isaacs 32
Capt. J. Sayer, b Isaacs 7
Capt. J. Erskine, c Divecha, b Leach 46
Jex, not out 2
Byes—11; Leg-byes—8

Total 188
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
J. A. Isaacs 31.1 9 64 4
Sgt. Freshwater 18 4 16 0
Dr. W. E. O'Hara 30 14 41 3
D. W. Leach 18 6 51 3
Fall of Wickets.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

25 38 47 71 75 94 94 108 175 188
2nd Innings—Hong Kong.
A. W. Hayward, b Melsome 24
E. C. Fincher, b O'Hara 30
Rev. E. K. Quick, c Freshwater, b Melsome 1
Capt. J. R. Reynolds, c Barnes, b Melsome 0
Lieut. A. H. Musson, c Barnes, b Melsome 1
H. Owen-Hughes, c Stokes, b Melsome 27
A. W. Ramsay, c Barnes, b Freshwater 2
H. R. E. Hancock, c Stokes, b Freshwater 0
G. R. Sayer, c Divecha, b Freshwater 6
Capt. J. Erskine, b Freshwater 0
Jex, not out 14
Byes—11; Leg-byes—9

Total 102
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
J. A. Isaacs 10 5 19 0
Sgt. Freshwater 14 6 30 4
Lieut. Melsome 16.3 6 28 5
Dr. W. E. O'Hara 12 7 11 1
Fall of Wickets.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

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'VARSITY CRICKET'

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE
PROSPECTS.

THE NIGHT CANTABS.

The Oxford Cricket season promises to be more successful than usual. At least it will not be the fault of the officials if it is not.

Not only have they engaged a very much larger professional staff, but the list of fixtures is the most imposing for many years. No fewer than six first-class counties will be met: Lancashire, Kent, Gloucestershire, Derbyshire, Glamorgan and Leicestershire, in addition to the Foresters and the West Indies. All these games are at Oxford, and on tour Essex, Surrey, the M.C.C. and H. D. G. Leveson-Gower's XI will be encountered.

The staff consists of J. T. Hearne and Fowler (Middlesex), Makepeace (Lancashire)—as preliminary coach—Besley (Kent), Simfield (Gloucester), Remnant (Scotland), and Walters, the Fulham footballer, who is an Oxonian. M. A. McCallis is the new captain, and he will command the services of six old Blues, A. M. Crawley, P. V. F. Cazel, J. H. Nunn, A. T. Barber, W. M. McBride, and R. I. F. McIntosh, all of whom should keep their places. McBride could not play last year owing to illness, and for the same reason Nunn was very much out of form. Both, however, are now fully recovered and felt no ill-effects through playing football in the winter.

Strong in Seals.

The seniors include such useful players as C. E. Fraser, H. H. Garland-Wells, T. B. G. Welch, E. Snell, C. K. Hill-Wood, P. G. E. Nash, N. A. Doggart, and A. S. Bradshaw, while among the Freshmen are that very "fine" bat from Winchester, P. G. T. Kingsley, and R. Eglinton (Sherborne), J. M. Monkhouse (Rugby), G. A. R. Farquharson, who has had experience in the West Indies, E. J. Tucker (a bowler from Tonbridge), R. W. Skene (Sedburgh), and J. H. Green (Brighton)—two left-handers—E. W. Welling (Cheltenham), and P. H. Staples (Shrewsbury), and last, but not least, the Nawab of Patiala, a young Indian who has had the advantage of being coached by Frank Woolley.

There is scope here, under wise leadership for a good all-round side, and in McCallis Oxford have just the kind of captain to take advantage of the material at his disposal.

STRONG IN BLUES.

Keen Competition for Honours At Cambridge.

Supporters of Cambridge Cricket are looking forward to another victory at Lord's this year with as much confidence as, at the beginning of last term, they looked for victories in the Boat Race and the Sports.

The prospects are strengthened to this extent by the fact that no fewer than eight Old Blues are in residence again. F. J. Seabrook, who may be described as a mature player, is the new captain, and he looks like being more fortunate than was E. W. Dawson for all the indications are that he will have the help of K. S. Duleepsinhji, who is definitely taking up residence again, which may be taken as some proof that his winter in Switzerland has restored him to health.

M. J. Turnbull, who was also unable to play last season, is the new hon. sec. and the hope is that the operation on his knee has put him right so that he can give Cambridge of his best at other forms of sport as well as cricket.

A lot is expected of R. W. Robins, T. C. Longfield, E. F. Longrigg, M. J. C. Allom, and L. G. Irvine, the last two bowlers, while Longfield is equally good in either department.

Hard For Newcomers.

As not a single Freshman got in the side last year it is only to be expected that the Seniors will be rather stronger than usual. Both N. G. Wykes and E. T. Killick were unfortunate not to get in last year, and, good as they undoubtedly are, it is very difficult to see how places can be found for them both even now.

Others at least worth keeping an eye on include W. K. Harbison, G. Carnegie Brown, A. D. Benham, Carter, H. E. H. P. G. Hope, F. M. S. Tegner, C. M. Andrae, G. L. C. Jessop, S. A. Block, G. N. Paxton, and G. E. M. Pennyfather. It is rather difficult to speak of the Freshman before they have been seen at Fenners, but a number of them have taken up residence, with big reputations. The two best known are A. C. L. Willis (Harrow) and B. E. Valentine (Rampton), neither of whom was at school last season, but spent the season gaining invaluable county experience. There is no lack of competition for the few vacancies amongst the Seniors and Freshmen.

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Bowen Road (Altitude)	237
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For each subsequent treatment ..	3

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Blood tests range from \$1 to \$25. Bacteriological examination of water costs \$25; and no examination will be undertaken unless the sample has been packed in ice and sent immediately after being taken, and sent with all speed to the laboratory.

Examination for organic contamination of milk also costs \$25. Alterations to the list may be made from time to time. Due notice of any amendment will be given in the "Gazette."

EASTERN PORTS.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES BULLETIN.

The health bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending May 26 is as follows:—

Plague:—Bombay: 1 death; Rangoon: 5 deaths; Amoy: 2 cases; Cheriton: 4 infected rats; Cholera:—Calcutta: 92 deaths; Madras: 6 deaths; Bangkok: 11 cases, 7 deaths; Saigon: 4 cases, 2 deaths; Haiphong: 2 cases, 2 deaths.

Small-pox:—Bombay: 26 cases, 18 deaths; Calcutta: 31 cases, 23 deaths; Madras: 11 cases; Mou-mien: 4 cases, 2 deaths; Negapatam: 1 case; Rangoon: 6 cases, 2 deaths; Yizagapatam: 1 case, 1 death; Pondicherry: 7 cases, 6 deaths; Shanghai: 5 cases, 6 deaths; Amoy: 1 case; Kobe: 3 cases; Osaka: 3 cases; Yokohama: 1 case; Dairen: 13 cases.

COAST DEFENCE PRACTICE.

Between Oct. 1, 1923, and Feb. 4, 1929, the local Military Authorities are to hold coast defence and station practice on twenty-five occasions. "Days," alternative dates and due notice is given in the "Government Gazette." There will be day and night practices, ranging from sub-calibre weapons to 4.7 inch quickfiring, 6 inch and 9.2 inch coast defence guns. The units concerned are the 2nd, 4th and 5th Heavy Batteries in the Hong Kong Singapore Brigade, R.A. and the 12th, 20th and 31st Heavy Batteries Royal Artillery.

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"BACK TO CHURCH."

RELIGION REVIVAL CAMPAIGN IN PART OF LONDON.

London, April 13.
A rotund little man with shocks of grey hair that stand on end and eyes that alternately twinkle and beam from behind thick-lensed spectacles has set himself the task of persuading England to "go to church."

He is Mr. H. H. Martin, secretary of the Lord's Day Observance Society and organiser of the "Go-to-church" movement which was launched in more than 1,000 churches throughout the country on Sunday.
"Trap" for Churchgoers.
He has distributed more than one million copies of printed matter, including booklets, pledges, cartoons, and business-like posters. He has invented a "church diary" to trap potential churchgoers. He has divided the country into districts and conferences. He has set up committees. He has become what Americans would call a "live wire," all because, as he frankly admitted to me, the "Daily Express" published a story that prize fights were being held in the old church of Bowland Hill, a great evangelist of 100 years ago, in Blackfriars road.
"We have known for some time," he said, "that church attendance was falling off. A recent census brought about the staggering discovery that only 40 per cent. of church members

LE LIDO DE PARIS.

FABULOUS LUXURY OF A WONDERFUL "BEACH."

"AU LIDO."

The correct thing to do in these strange times is to hall a passing gondola of the Paris streets—a cruising taxicab—and murmur "Au Lido." The gondola will dash along the boulevards, swerve into the Place de la Concorde, and, half-way up the Avenue Champs Elysees, will land you at the entrance to a wonderful new arcade lined on both sides with magnificent shops, and ornamented with a lawn of real grass and growing flowers.

Here is the entrance to the Paris Lido, and for sheer display of fabulous luxury it has the Venetian Lido beaten to a bathing costume. You either walk downstairs or take a lift to this subterranean Lido.

Bath of Italian Marble.
The Lido bathing pool is the latest and most wonderful swimming bath I have ever seen. It has been constructed with marble brought from Italy. All around are hundreds and hundreds of tiny multi-coloured electric globes cunningly hidden in wreaths of artificial flowers. The effect produced is that of being in an Arabian Nights garden. Tables and chairs stand round the pool. Artificial sunlight gives the impression of a real outdoor beach. The air is warm and balmy, and fresh gusts of cool air keep the temperature level.

There is an immense tea-room overlooking the pool, and a marble bar twenty feet long. A dancing floor leads from the tea-room. There are three bands—an American jazz band, an Argentine tango band and a Venetian band of guitars and mandolins, such as is played in the "Concerto" on the Venetian Lagoon.

The hairdressing saloon for men and women has something of Pompeian splendour. Here is every conceivable device for scalp massage, and for making two hairs grow where one grew before. An equally splendid beauty parlour is quite close, complete with all those things with which women are alleged to seek beauty.

One of the most pathetic sights in Paris is to see meek little men handing out notes to their wives about to be made beautiful and then looking to see if they have enough change left to buy a cocktail at the marble bar.

There is a Turkish bath which is undoubtedly the most luxurious in the world.

Dozing Croupiers.

I went into the baccarat room and awakened six dozing croupiers. There was not a visitor there. I walked the length of the marble bar watched by the hard eyes of many barmen waiting for the expected guests. Some sad people, perhaps a hundred were sipping tea and watching the quiet empty swimming pool hoping somebody would either bathe or fall in.

"Does nobody ever bathe here," I asked an attendant. "Sometimes an Englishman or an American will do so in the evening," was the reply.

Why are there so few people? Perhaps because of the high cost of everything. "What does it cost to spend an evening on the Lido?" one of my friends asked another. "Whatever you have, and then some more," was the answer. I found it correct. "Daily Express."

members, mark—

are attending the services. We are afraid to think of the great host that is not listed on church registers.

Flame-Coloured Posters.
"But the story of the prize fights brought the matter to a head. Think of it," he pleaded. "Prize fights on Sunday, too, in Rowland Hill's old church. And some of them then Mr. Martin leaned forward and lowered his voice—"some of them are fought for as much as \$400."

I asked Mr. Martin how he intended to change the present condition of church attendance.

He leapt from his chair like a rocket. He showered me with pink, purple, and green pamphlets. He unrolled large flaming-coloured posters.

"Why is Sunday dull?" he asks in a blue and white poster. "Because you make it so much like every other day in the week" is the answer in smaller type.

How to Break Routine.
"Monotony kills," according to Mr. Martin. "Go to church, he says, and break routine."

Last Sunday more than 1,000 churches held special services to inaugurate the campaign. Hundreds of thousands of pledges to attend church were signed.

The drive is being concentrated on every city and hamlet and every individual.

"We want our good old English Sundays back again," said Mr. Martin. "Going to church is one of the things our fathers did that can and should be good enough for us."

W.S.L.B. in "Daily Express."

A TRAVESTY.

FAMOUS BRITISH AUTHOR AS PLAYWRIGHT.

MR. G. MOORE'S NEW PLAY.

It is with relief that I record that Mr. George Moore's "The Making of an Immortal" came to the Arts Theatre (London) and passed by in a gust of pleasant laughter, says the dramatic critic of the "Evening Standard."

The play had had much preliminary announcement. It was to be played by an almost unprecedented cast of stars—Miss Thorndike, Mr. Faber, Mr. Charles Loughton, Mr. Edmund Gwenn, Mr. Hay Petrie, and so forth. And it was by one of the most distinguished "literary" figures in England—who had had, at the same time, almost the least possible experience of writing plays.

The play is the Bacon-Shakespeare controversy pleasantly crystallised by a man of wit. It opens at a moment when Burbage's troupe are in disgrace for having acted before Elizabeth a tendentious political play called "Richard II." The Queen, fearing that it emanates from high political quarters (the Earl of Essex?), demands to see its author.

There is a hurried council of war between Bacon, Burbage, and Ben Jonson. An author must be found, and quickly. If an important person is put forward, Elizabeth may visit her wrath upon him. If a humble and feeble individual is found, someone whose station makes him politically insignificant, he may get off with a word or two of praise for his poetry.

It is decided to father the plays upon Shakespeare, a mediocre actor in the company who has no experience of anything at all, and who has only two passions in life—to regard himself as a person of culture owing to a successful grammar-school education and to accumulate house property down in his native village of Stratford.

The bewildered Shakespeare, egged on with enormous compliments to his sagacity, discretion and brilliance, is put forward as the author; is graciously received by Elizabeth, and, being a muddle-headed and withal conceited little fellow, comes in the end almost to believe that he has written the plays himself.

Bacon, cogitating in the background, comes forward to whisper to him that he has just had an idea, and that the title of "their" next play had better be "The Merry Wives of Windsor."

Mr. Moore has been light-hearted about the little play, and has even so far forgotten himself as to throw in snatches from "Hamlet" and "Macbeth" that did not, of course, appear till years later. But he may only have done this out of kindness to the critics, to give them a chance to display their erudition.

One thing, apart from controversy, the play did very unmistakably reveal. In one scene of it one of the young boy actors, dressed in skirts, is made to rehearse a few lines of Juliet's balcony scene. It was suddenly clear that a young boy's voice speaking poetry can have an unearthly beauty about it denied to any woman's; and the long survival of the boy actors became explained.

MODERN ROMANCE.

PEER'S HEIR AND HIS BARMAID BRIDE.

BELATED HONEYMOON.

The "Evening Standard" tells the romantic story of the secret marriage of the Hon. Otway Plunkett, son and heir of Lord Louth, and the pretty St. Heliers barmaid, Miss Ethel Gallichan.

For several days the couple have been spending their belated honeymoon in an unpretentious house in a London suburb.

It is understood that they have now left London together to live their future life in a country town.

How They Met.

At the end of 1925 Mr. Plunkett, who belongs to one of the most ancient families in Ireland—for the barony is nearly four centuries old—went across to Jersey ostensibly for a holiday at St. Heliers.

Here he stayed at the Esplanade Hotel, and it was not long before he became a popular figure. But no one knew that he was the heir to a peerage.

It was at the Gloucester Vaults in Gloucester-street, St. Heliers, that he met Miss Ethel Molly Gallichan, who was a barmaid. Miss Gallichan, a well-educated girl, is now 28.

During the war she volunteered to work as a messenger at the local post office. She left this post on account of ill-health, but six months later went to Gloucester Vaults. There Mr. Plunkett often met her. Their friendship developed. He sent flowers to her. Frequently when her duties were finished he escorted her to her home.

A proposal of marriage followed, and they became engaged.

By this time Miss Gallichan had learned the secret of his identity—that he was the son and heir of Lord Louth. Both felt that if this became public there might be some embarrassment, and agreed that not only should the secret be preserved, but that the news of their engagement should not be revealed.

Only one person was told—Miss Gallichan's mother. She is the wife of a railway worker. Even the brothers and sisters were not informed.

More than nine months ago—on July 4 last—the couple were married at St. Saviour's Church, St. Helier.

The Secret Kept.

Miss Gallichan gave up her post at the Gloucester Vaults and remained at her home. Mr. Plunkett continued to live at the Esplanade Hotel.

They met frequently, and Mr. Plunkett was a frequent correspondent with his bride; in fact, his letters were as numerous as they had been throughout the courtship.

The marriage was still a secret Mr. Plunkett maintained his friendships. What appealed to the residents was his absence of "side." On more than one occasion at the Esplanade Hotel he let the barman there have a few hours off by taking his place.

Towards the end of February he left for England. The couple had decided to live there. But still the time was not ready for the disclosure of the marriage. Mr. Plunkett went alone. His wife followed last and the surprising news was then made known.

"BREMEN'S" FLIGHT.

WHAT THE HAZARDOUS JOURNEY HAS TAUGHT.

NO ATLANTIC SERVICE.

[By Major F. A. De V. Robertson.]
Now that accounts of the adventures of the "Bremen" have come to hand, both from the Germans and from Major Fitzmaurice, the question has been asked whether this remarkable and successful adventure teaches us any lessons about the route, the machine, or the engine. Certainly the stories which have come to hand have not been technical reports but interesting narratives. However, they doubtless give the main facts, and they only confirm the opinion which has been consistently expressed by the present writer—namely, that flights of this nature are not worth while, teach no useful lessons, and do not help but undoubtedly damage the chances of aircraft becoming a really useful servant of mankind.

We all knew before that an aero engine, even when heavily strained by a tremendous load of petrol in the early stages, will sometimes run for 36 years or more. On the other hand, very often it will not do so.

The men in the "Bremen" were luckier than some others in that respect.

These men certainly navigated well so long as they were able to see anything by which to navigate. But when they were blinded by overcast skies and fog again they were lucky. One would like to know why the lighting set failed and a petrol pipe broke.

One still meets people who say that the few successful crossings of the Atlantic show that before long there will be a regular aeroplane service between Europe and America. They seem to forget that unless an aeroplane can be refuelled at regular intervals it can carry no paying load which would make the journey a business proposition. Practically all the lifting power is absorbed by the initial weight of fuel.

The usual reply is that larger machines will be built. But larger machines are heavier, and that means more wing surface, which in its turn means more weight, and that means more engine power, which again means greater weight of engines and of fuel.

Limit to Size of Planes.
It is an interesting question, which has not yet been authoritatively answered, whether the limit to the weight of aeroplanes is not in sight. Ultimately it seems that landplanes will be limited by what a large level aerodrome will support. Sea-

planes and, in particular, flying-boats, can still be made larger than anything yet produced. Refinements may be introduced such as engines which use fuel at a slower rate, possibly new sorts of fuel, and new metal alloys for constructing machines and engines. These may postpone the day when the limit is reached. But an aeroplane service, even if safe, will never pay if too large a proportion of the lifting power is used up by the weight of fuel carried, and this seems to condemn all prospect of a trans-Atlantic aeroplane service.

Airships are a different matter. If you increase the size of an airship the weight increases as the square of the dimensions, while the lift increases as the

cube of the dimensions. In simpler language, the larger the airship the larger is the proportion of paying load. A ship twice as big as R 33 will carry far more than twice as much as R 33 can carry. The Atlantic air service must be operated by airships or not at all. — "Manchester Guardian."

The principal weapon in the fight against slavery was the weapon of public opinion, but so far it had only been found possible to get the support of a very small number of people. — "Manchester Guardian."

Mr. John H. Harris, Parliamentary Secretary of the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protection Society, addressed a meeting in the Friends' Meeting House, Manchester, on "Slavery in the twentieth century." Mrs. Vipont Brown presided.

It was only last year, said Mr. Harris, that the people of this country awakened to the fact that in Sierra Leone there were 215,000 slaves. But that was only one of a large number of areas in the world in which there were slaves. A difficulty which was confronted with was the absence of international machinery for dealing with the question. With the coming into being of the League of Nations the situation was entirely changed. Early in the conference of Versailles it was conceded that one big piece of work which any league of nations would have to attend to was the work of bringing about complete abolition of slave-owning, slave-trading, and slave-raiding.

Magnitude of Problem.
The magnitude of the problem was realised, and eventually the League of Nations appointed a commission of inquiry. That commission reported in 1925 that slavery existed in 19 countries. It was estimated that the total number of slaves was at least 4,000,000; these men, women, and children could be taken and sold for a profit like any article of commerce. The conditions in which some of the slaves were held were revolting, and he was quite sure that before very long we would have evidence on the subject of slavery in China which would probably be startling.

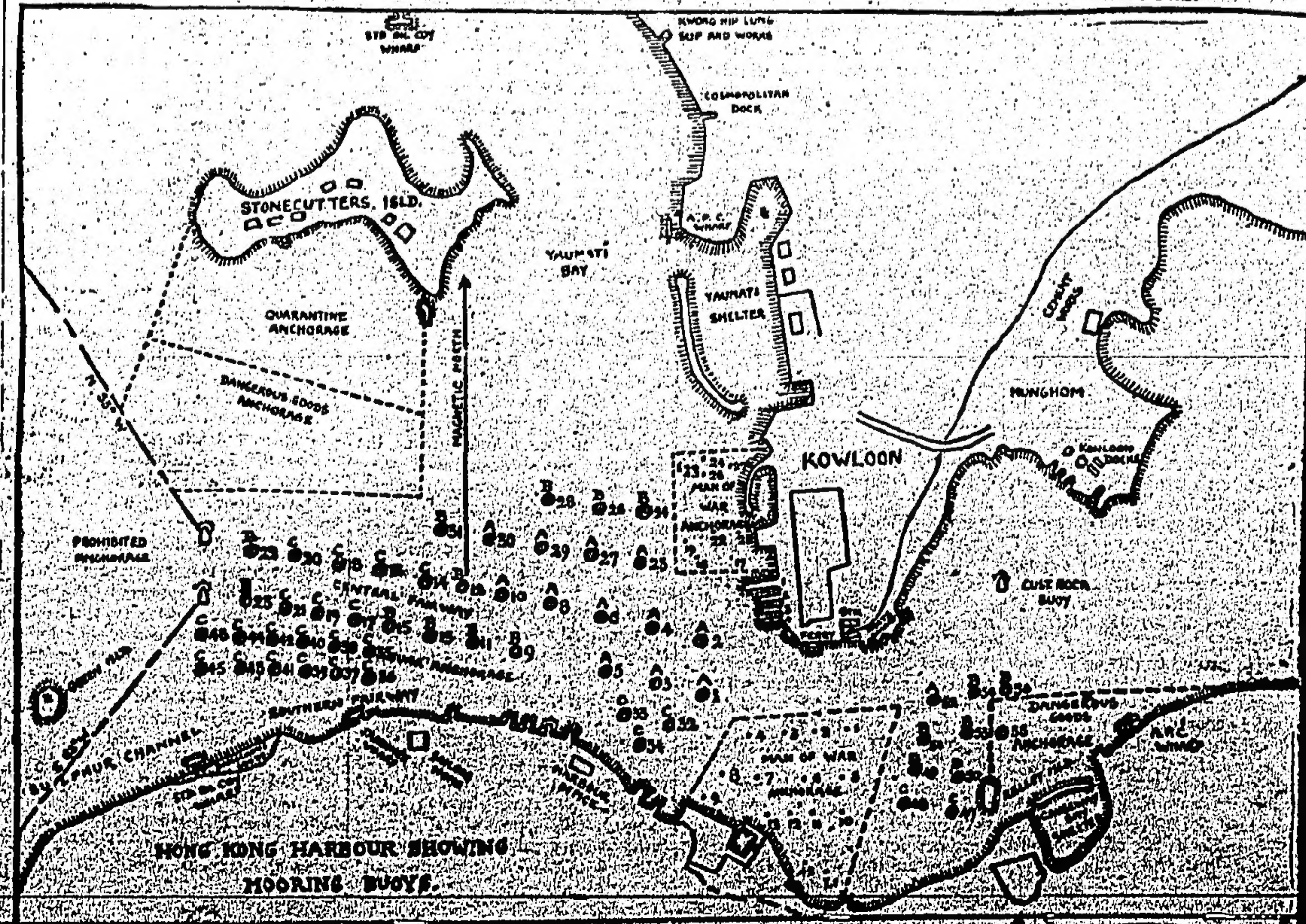
Mr. Harris referred to the fact that slaves escape from time to time from Abyssinia into the Sudan, where they are afforded refuge, and said there was danger of conflict between the Abyssinian forces chasing the slaves and the British force in occupation in the Sudan. These refugees could not be handed back to the cruelties to which they had been subjected. The time had come to take in hand much more vigorously than had yet been attempted the whole question of slavery in that country, where there were at least 2,000,000 slaves out of a population of 10,000,000. Abyssinia, as a member of the League of Nations, had given an undertaking to free the slaves, but in the three years in which she had been a member she had secured the liberty of only 1,100, and had imprisoned only 180 slave traders.

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Slavery still existing in 19 countries.

Protective Society views.

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"SUMMER TIME."

NEW ZEALAND'S FIRST SEASON EXPERIMENT.

"NO ENTHUSIASM."

Wellington (N.Z.), March 8. New Zealand's first practical experience with summer time ended last Sunday, March 4, and people are wondering what to make of it, whether to vote for it again or to wipe it right out as a failure. One thing is quite certain, it has not been a tremendous success. The indications of popular feeling are rather the other way, and the odds appear at present against a renewal by Parliament, at the coming season, of summer time for next season. The farmers and country folk are more than ever against it, and the towns are not so unanimous as they were.

The trial given to the daylight-saving principle in these Antipodes was due in the first instance entirely to the efforts of one man, Mr. T. K. Sidey, M.P. for a Dunedin constituency, who, year after year for seventeen years, besieged Parliament with bills under various names, until last year he managed to win both Houses to impose summer time on the country for four months, from November to the beginning of March. It was a hard fight to the last, country members and even Ministers assailing the bill tooth and nail, and the fight continued even after the bill became law, for some rural bodies refused at first to alter their clocks. However, amid much grumbling from the country people, the Act came in and has been given a fair run. The weather in November and early December was unpropitious, but from then on till the end of February there was almost continuous sunshine, with only an odd shower or two in the whole period.

MAIL SMASH.

FREQUENT ACCIDENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Cape Town, May 1. Yesterday's railway disaster in the Hex River Mountains has increased the uneasiness felt for some time past at the growing frequency of accidents on the South African railways.

The Union railways were long noted for their remarkable immunity from serious mishaps. In 1922-3, and 1925-6, for instance, there was not a single fatality from train accidents. Last year accidents to trains were responsible for seventeen deaths and 106 figures of injury. This year's figures are not available, but, judging from the constant reports of accidents, it is unlikely that they will show an improvement.

The officials attribute these occurrences simply to a run of bad luck, due to that element of human fallibility against which it is impossible to provide effective safeguards. They point out that never before in the history of railways has so much money been spent on safety appliances and safety measures.

A large section of the public, however, is unconvinced and is inclined to suspect that the standard of efficiency among the South African railway officials has declined, and is declining. Although actual proofs are difficult to obtain, it is felt that, owing to the pressure brought to bear on the railway administration to assist in solving the European unemployment question, a percentage of men of the wrong type has been introduced, and its effects will be increasingly felt when the older railway servants, many of whom were trained on British railways, entirely disappear.

Hitherto railway accident inquiries have been mostly entrusted to the railway and other Government officials. In view of the fact that the South African railways are State owned, public opinion has demanded a different system, and Mr. Roos, Minister of Justice, states that boards of inquiry will in future be composed of a magistrate, a railway official, and a third person unconnected with the public service. This is a marked concession to public opinion, and shows that the Government appreciates the fact that dissatisfaction is rife.

STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong during June, 1928, standard time for the 120th meridian, East of Greenwich, is as follows:—

	Sunrise	Sunset
a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
4	5.38	7.05
5	5.38	7.05
6	5.38	7.05
7	5.38	7.05
8	5.38	7.05
9	5.38	7.07
10	5.38	7.07
11	5.38	7.07
12	5.38	7.07
13	5.38	7.08
14	5.38	7.08
15	5.38	7.08
16	5.38	7.09
17	5.38	7.09
18	5.39	7.09
19	5.39	7.09
20	5.39	7.10
21	5.39	7.10
22	5.39	7.10
23	5.40	7.10
24	5.40	7.11
25	5.40	7.11
26	5.40	7.11
27	5.41	7.11
28	5.41	7.11
29	5.41	7.11
30	5.42	7.11

THE BUDGET.

TAXES EQUAL FARM RELIEF.

INCREASED USE OF OIL.

Colonel A. P. Heneage, M.P., the chairman, at a meeting of the Central and Associated Chambers of Agriculture at the Surveyor's Institution said the agricultural industry was in the position of a man seeing the approach of the maternity nurse, in the shape of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with triplets—rating relief on land, rating relief on agricultural buildings, and relief on agricultural freights. "And he is not sure that with the doctor's bill he will have to pay they are worth it." (Laughter.)

He viewed with alarm the imposition of the paraffin tax. Since the last coal strike much more oil was being used for heating and cooking in country districts than formerly. The farmer had no desire to benefit at the expense of the agricultural labourer. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. J. Sadler, Cheshire, said that while farmers appreciated to the full the freeing of their land and farm buildings from rates, they could not overlook one very serious item on the other side of the ledger. The farmer in his business had to pay the tax which would produce the money for the relief of rating on his farm property.

On a farm of 160 acres it would be necessary to use a motor-car for business purposes and a motor-lorry to convey pigs, sheep, and cheese to market. The amount of petrol tax that would have to be paid would just about equal the saving in the rates. Then there was the increased cost of oil for lighting and heating which would affect most farmers.

"The item on the adverse side will more than counterbalance the advantage which the farmers will get from relief in rates. Then there is the question of delay. These extra taxes are to be collected from the farmer for eighteen months before he gets rate relief. The Government will be in his debt before that relief comes in October, 1929."

Mr. H. O. Gardner, Worcester-shire, hoped farmers would not "niggle" at the Budget proposals and press for pettifogging exemptions.

A resolution was passed warmly welcoming the total relief of land and farm buildings from rates and the prospect of reduction of agricultural freights on the railways, but expressing the opinion that the tax on oil used for domestic lighting and cooking should be removed, and that in view of the existing depression in agriculture the period for the relief of rates should be advanced.

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"DAY OF MOURNING."

Chinese Suggestion at
Singapore.

CONSUL'S REPLY.

Journal's Advice to Nationals in
Malaya.

Singapore, May 28.

The Chinese Consul-General at Singapore has received a communication from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Kuala Lumpur, asking him to assist in the arrangement of a universal commemoration of the Tsinanfu affair on June 2. He has replied that he has had no official notification from China of any such commemoration, but he had heard that the central executive of the Kuomintang had instructed its mourning for Tsinanfu should be observed at all branch meetings held during the week following receipt of the instruction. He told a "Straits Times" representative that it was very unlikely that there would be any general commemoration among the Chinese in Singapore on June 2.

At a meeting held in Kuala Lumpur a week ago it was stated that, by order of the Nanking Nationalist Government, June 2, was to be observed as "a day of general mourning for the Japanese shooting at Tsinanfu on May 3," and that the Chinese Consul-General had been consulted in order to en-

\$40,000.

Echo of Bank
Larceny.

CHINESE REMANDED.

Local Police Fetch-Suspect From
Canton.

Before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning, Detective Sergeant M. Murphy, charged a Chinese named Fong Chung-lin, alias Fong Pau-sang, stated to have been formerly employed in the Compradore Department of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, with obtaining the sum of \$40,000 by false pretences on January 31, 1924, and alternately, with larceny of the money as a servant of the bank.

A week's formal remand was given in police custody for further investigation of the case. Fong, who was arrested by the Canton authorities last week, was brought down to Hong Kong by the night boat last Friday, local police making the trip to Canton specially to receive the prisoner.

THE SPEAKER.

EARLY RETIREMENT FROM THE
COMMONS ANNOUNCED.

IMPENDING REQUEST.

London, Yesterday.
The Rt. Hon. John Henry Whitley has announced that he will

HONG KONG WINS.

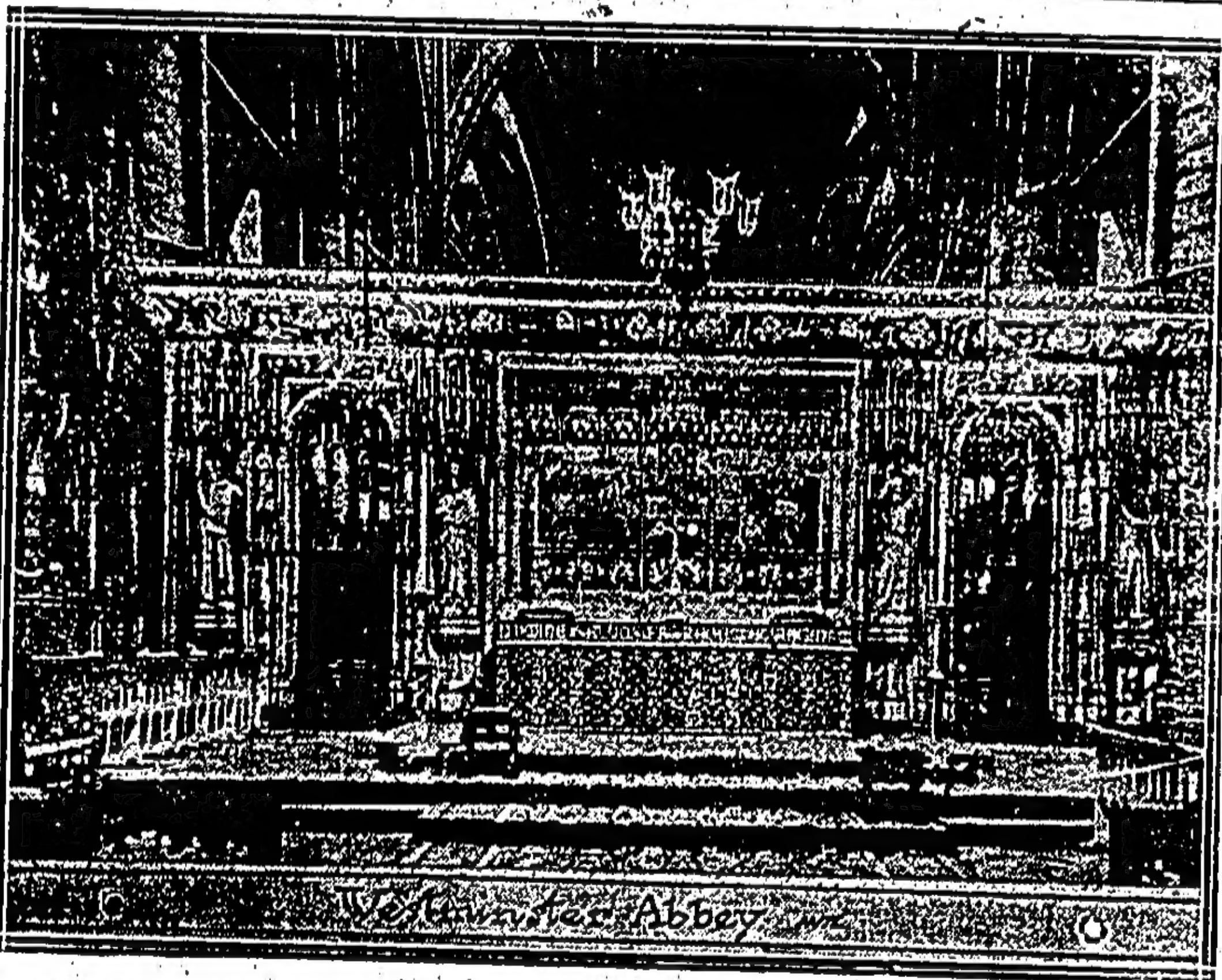
Chinese Soccer Players
in P.I.

BEAT "INTERNATIONALS."

Press Comment on University
Team.

Manila, May 28.
A representative eleven, nicknamed "International," fell in defeat yesterday afternoon at the Wallace Field before the University of Hong Kong football team, in the latter's second appearance before Manila soccer enthusiasts. The final reckoning gave the visiting footballers the lead, 4-3. The match was played before a gathering of interested spectators, the majority of them hailing from Rosario and nearby streets, Manila's Chinatown.

In their two games played in this city, the first of which ended in a 1-1 tie against San Beda, the Chinese players have not defrauded the expectations of the sporting community. Nobody expected them to be world-beaters. Needless to state they are not. As a matter of fact, they cannot compare with any of the Chinese teams that have displayed their ability in years gone by in this city. The Hong Kong University eleven is simply a mediocre aggregation, good enough to face the badly-battered aggregations Manila counts with at present. Should the Chinese team have paid us this visit in the years 1925 and 1926,



Westminster Abbey, the scene of H.M. the King's Birthday Service in London.

force a universal practice throughout Malaya.

"Malay Mail's" Comment.
In the course of a leading article in yesterday's "Malay Mail" the incident was commented on as follows:—

"We think the Chinese in Malaya would be well-advised not to observe any 'day of mourning' at all on June 2, but to go about their lawful occasions in the ordinary way. In the first place, this country forms part of the British Empire, which is properly maintaining an attitude of absolute neutrality in the present differences between China and Japan, and there seems just as little justification for the Chinese resident here to indulge in what would actually be a public political demonstration against the Japanese, who are old friends and were faithful allies of Great Britain, as there would be for the French residents in England to commemorate the Battle of Sedan by a five minutes silence in the streets of London intended as a public political demonstration against Germany. This is specially true of those Chinese who are British subjects and who cannot possibly be so foolish as to imagine that any manifestation of the nature proposed would be anything but extremely disagreeable to the local British authorities."

Washington, June 2.—The Board of Governors has withdrawn Sig. Mussolini's nomination as a non-resident member of the National Press Club following a member's protest on the ground of Mussolini's treatment of the Press in Italy.—Reuter.

ask the House of Commons on June 18 to permit him to retire from the Speakership on June 19.

Mr. Whitley has held the position of Speaker of the House of Commons since 1921, and has been invariably praised for his unflinching tact and profound knowledge of Parliamentary procedure. He held the position of Deputy Speaker from 1911 to 1921.

BALKANS' FERMENT.

THE JUGO-SLAV REPLY TO
ITALY.

RIOTING DEPLORED.

Belgrade, June 2.
The Jugo-Slav note to Italy deplores the recent rioting at Sebenico and Spalato, and undertakes to comply with the requests made by the Italian Minister.—Reuter.

[A cable of May 31 gave a summary of these requests. The Italian Minister emphasised the necessity for putting an end to the "sultry atmosphere" created by the disorders.]

CAPTAIN D'OISY.

SAILS FROM CHITTAGONG.

Akyab, Yesterday.
Capt. Pelletier D'Oisy has sailed from Chittagong to Pondicherry. [Capt. D'Oisy landed successfully at Akyab on May 15, but came to grief on re-starting. He crashed two miles from Akyab. He was unhurt, but the two mechanics were removed to hospital, one of them severely injured.]

their showing would have been disastrous.

The final score of yesterday's match, 4-3, is no faithful indication of the course of the game. The Hong Kong team as a whole, played much better football and should have won by a bigger margin. The Chinese did not play a team yesterday. They simply contended with eleven men who agreed Saturday to meet at the Wallace on Sunday, and who were as complete strangers to each other as they were from the Hong Kong players. Credit must be given them for playing as they did. They could have done much worse.

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